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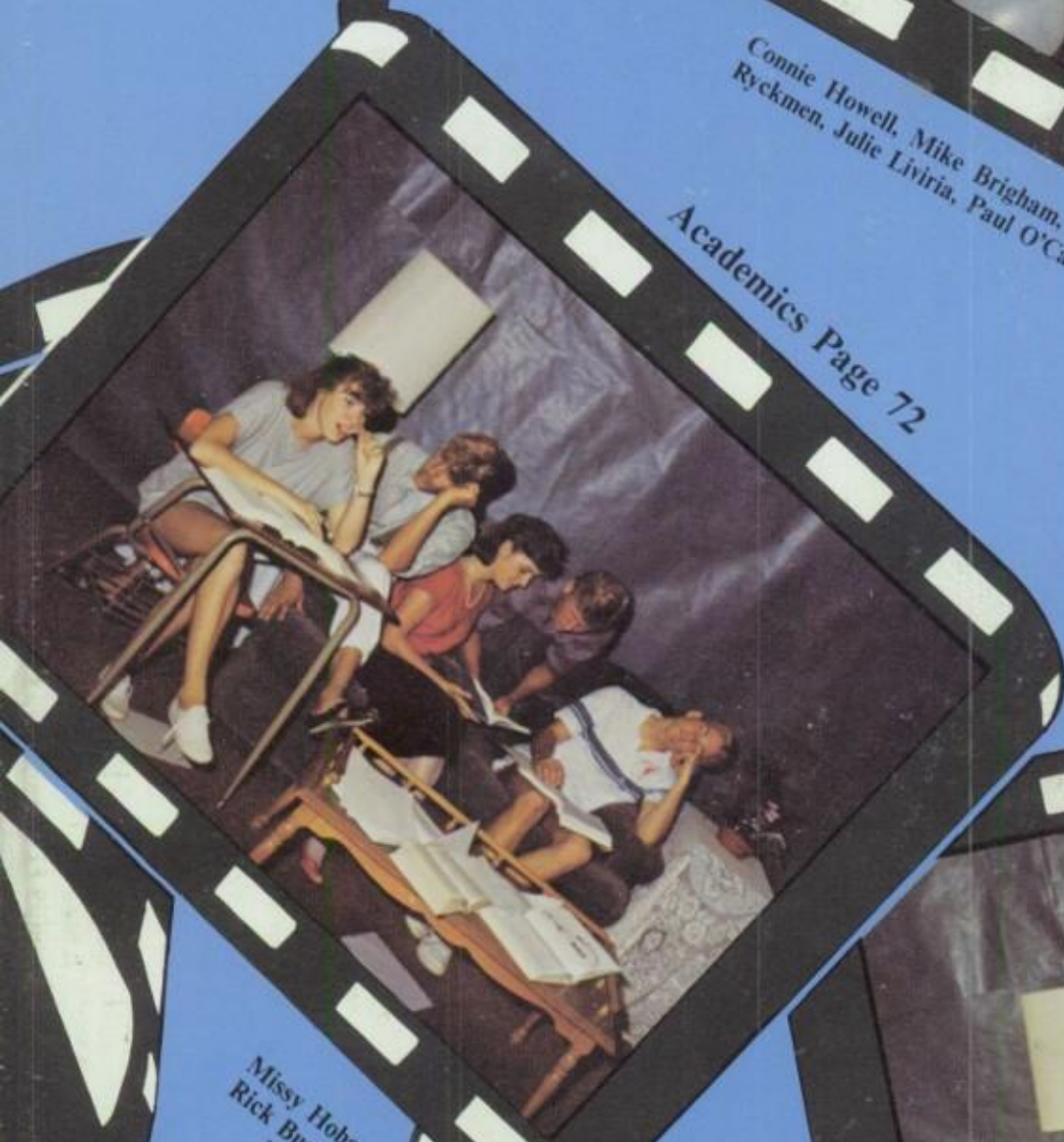


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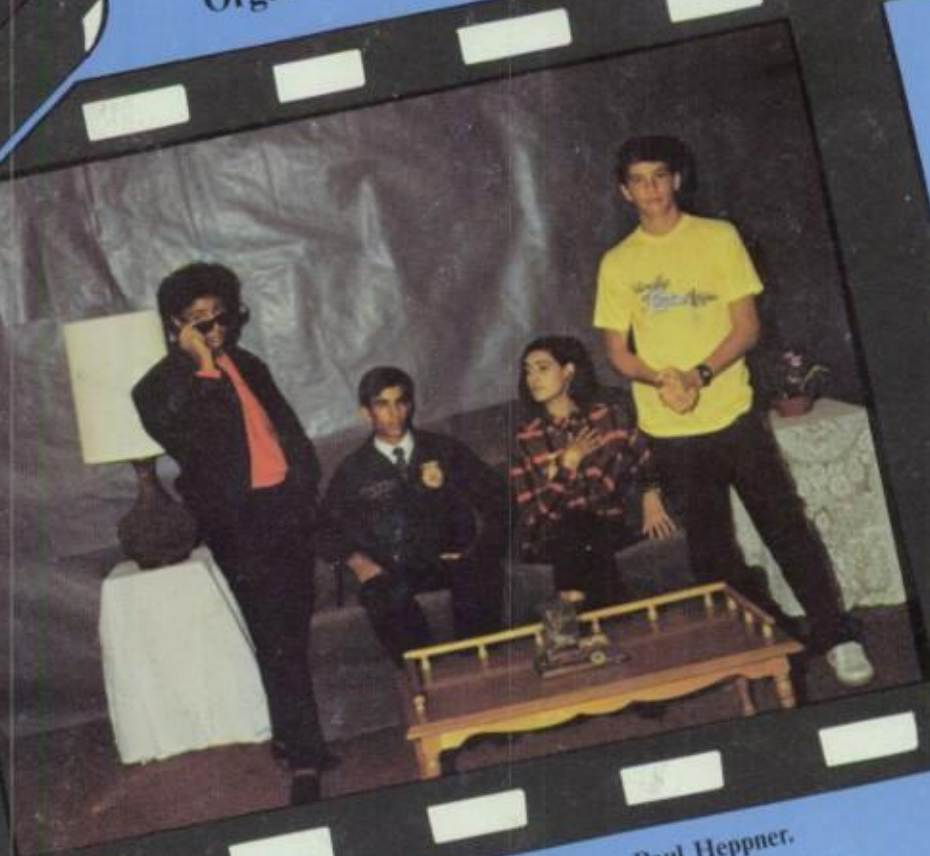
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## *Alma Mater*

*Atwater High, our alma mater  
Loyal sons are we  
Proud of service in thy name,  
true to thee we'll be  
Faithful, loyal, firm and true,  
though from you we'll stray,  
Atwater High, our alma mater  
Loyal sons we'll stay.*



# *You Oughta Be In Pictures*

## *You Oughta Be A Star*

by Terri Brown

*Lights, camera, ACTION!!!  
You oughta be in pictures. No  
matter who you are. If you are a  
Falcon. You oughta be a star!  
Because . . .*

*We've got style  
That's what all the critics  
say.  
With our charm  
You know we look so fine!  
We dazzle them  
And keep the contracts  
coming.  
We've got something  
Billboard really likes!*



*Top right — Sooo Punk!!! Mrs. Logan and  
Mrs. Thompson display the latest trends of  
1985. Bottom left — Even actors have to  
take a lunch break. Bottom right — Study  
your lines! Mr. Gorton's 4th period history  
class studies hard.*

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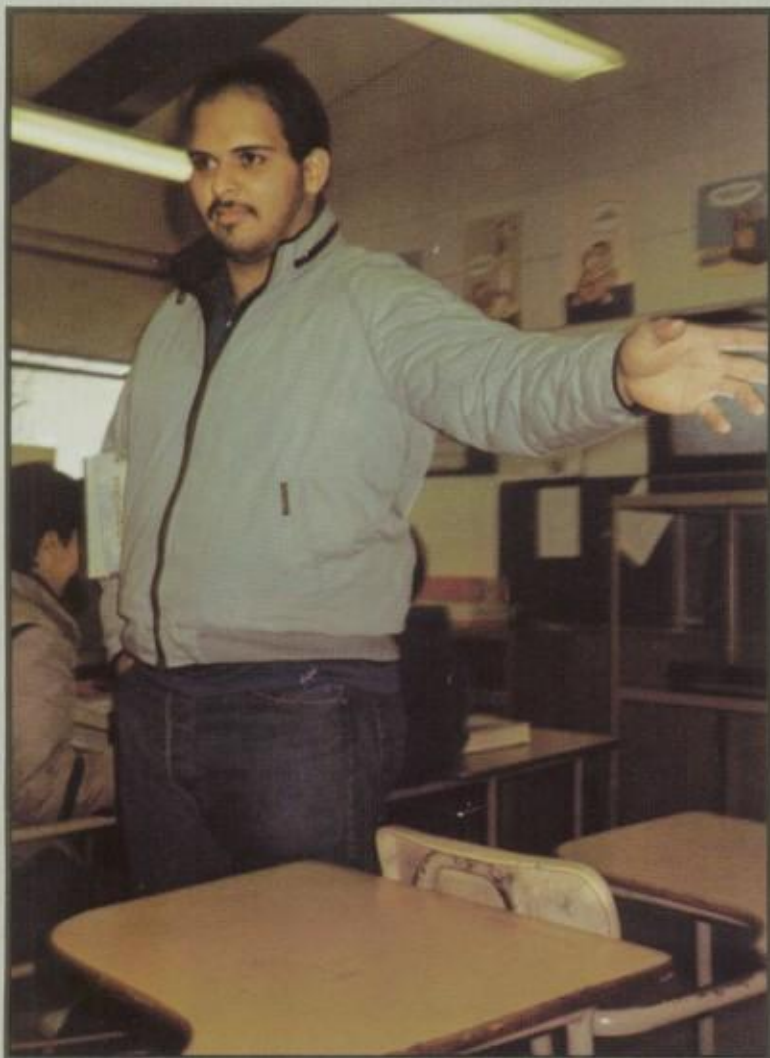
*Top — Little Bo Peep has lost her sheep.  
Addy Morauske in costume.*

Photo by David Castillo



# *You Oughta Be In Pictures*

*The Cast . . . The Directors . . .*



by Terri Brown

*The film's rolling, but who takes credit? Ruben Colacion, top left, says, "This is the greatest show on Earth!" Bottom left, Missy Feiber, says, "It's hard work, but in the long run, it's worth it."*

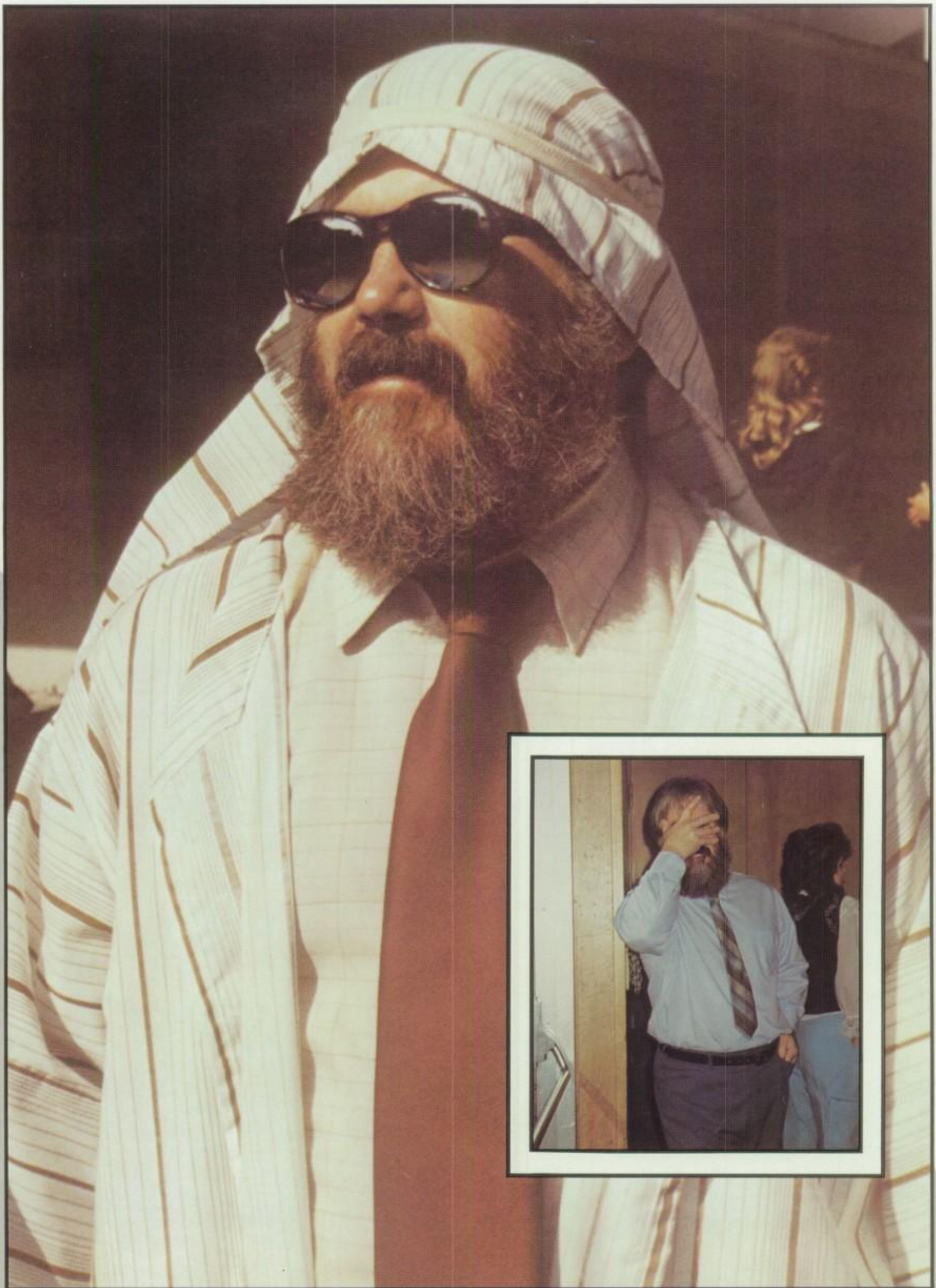
*There's no question about Atwater's acting ability. Bottom right, the class of 87, in one of their finer performances of "Hawaii Five-O."*

*We take the cake for best director award. To the right in the large picture, Vice-Principal, Mr. Worden is pretty cool most of the time. But, smaller picture, sometimes he gets a little frustrated!*

*Overall, both the students and faculty make this school what it is. If you go to Atwater High, "You Oughta Be In Pictures!"*









# Friday The 15th

## Falcons Dominate

by Terri Brown

Bears were lynched from trees with thin ropes. Posters advertising hatred towards Merced were hung all over the school. The time was near. The superiority of one race against another would be decided in a game. Falcons against the Bears, an everlasting rivalry.

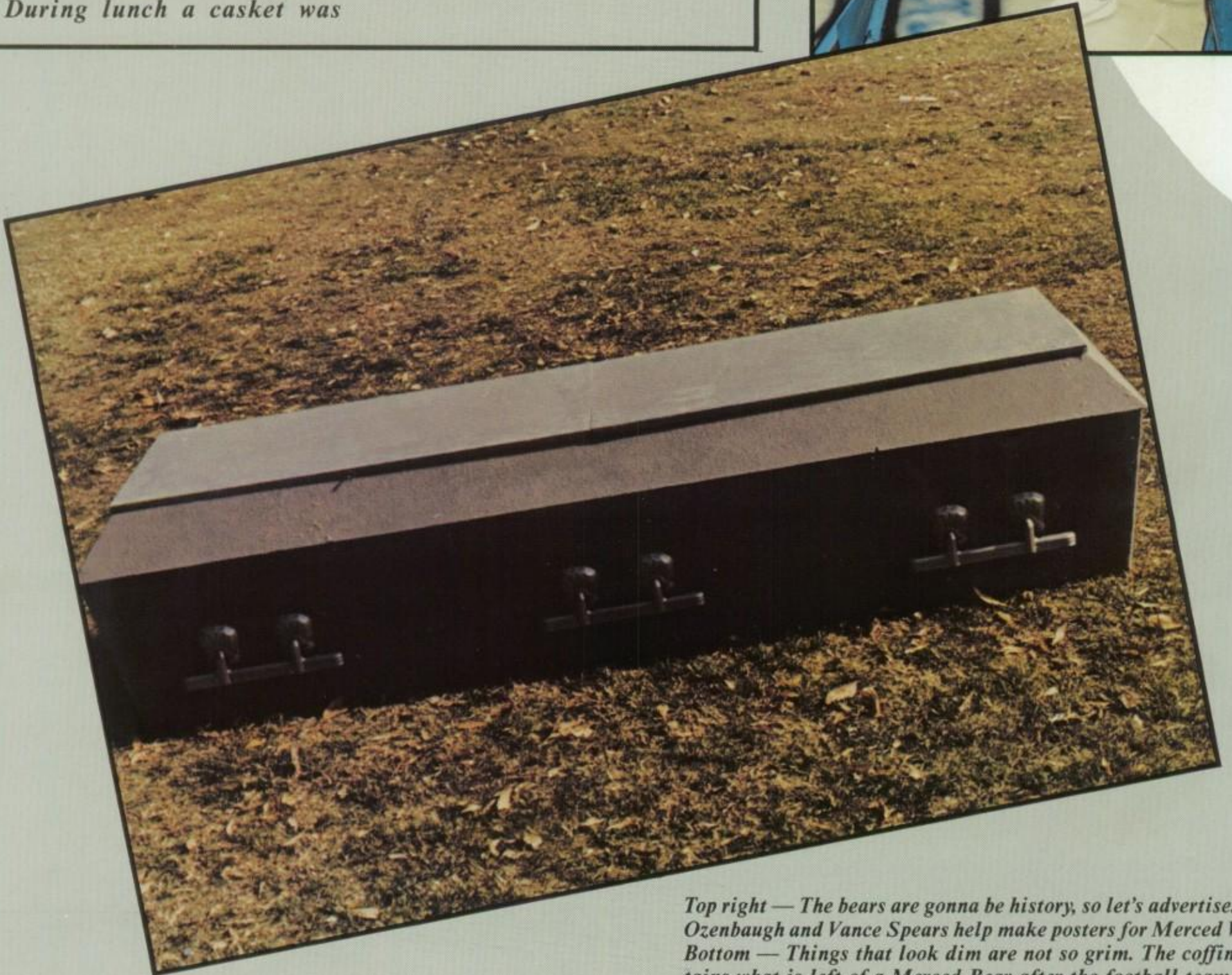
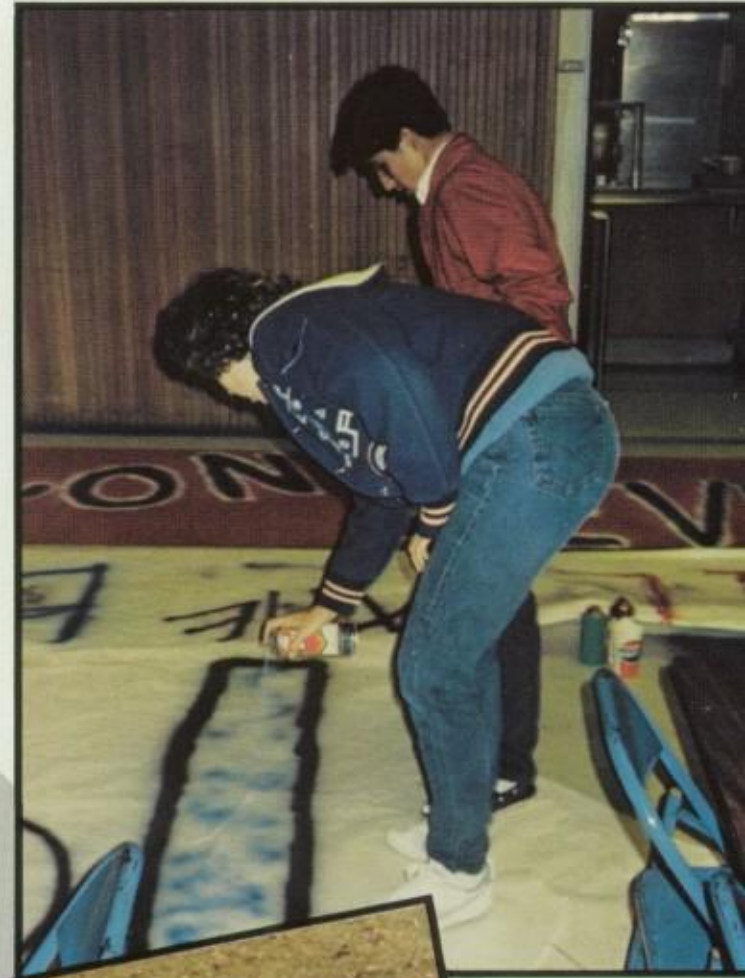
The spirit was kept up during the week by several activities. Thursday was Toga Day and Friday was Spirit Day. Friday morning there was a rally. The team captains for the game were announced.

During lunch a casket was

brought out by some members of the varsity football team and a funeral was held for the Merced bear that was killed that morning.

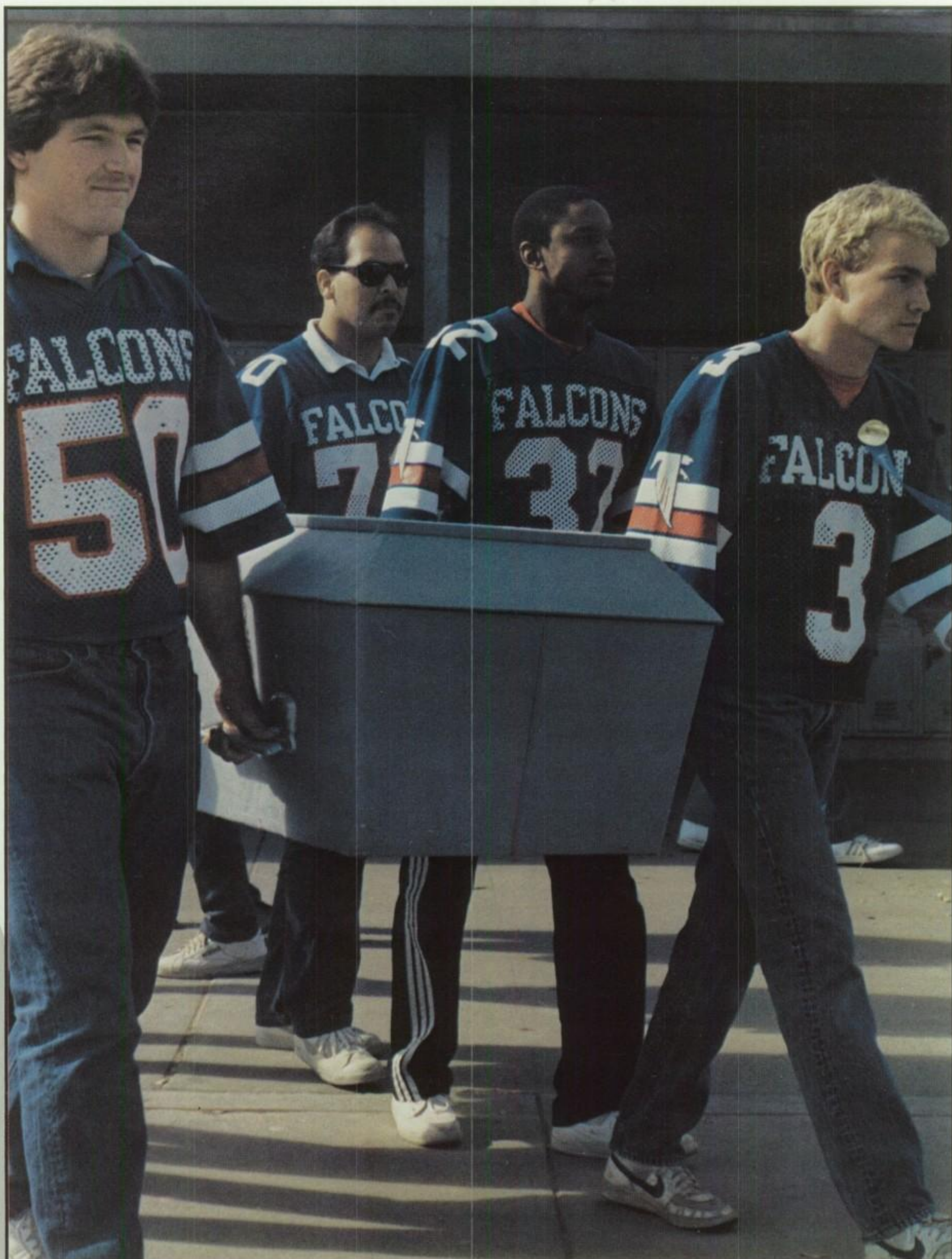
Atwater's superiority was proven. They won by one point. The touchdown was scored by Eddie Bachman. Atwater also got a safety leaving the score 8-7.

The sophomores beat Merced 40-6, and the freshmen beat Merced 8-6. You can be the judge as to which school had the better football teams.



Top right — The bears are gonna be history, so let's advertise. Lisa Ozenbaugh and Vance Spears help make posters for Merced Week. Bottom — Things that look dim are not so grim. The coffin contains what is left of a Merced Bear after the football team got a hold of it.





*Top — It's a great job and somebody gets to do it!!! Charles Post, Ruben Colacion, Torrin Johnson, and Jon Derr carry the bear remains to the funeral site.*



# No Small Affair

## Casual But Delightful

by Tony Jenkins

The week of October 21-25 was the Falcon's Football Homecoming. There were many activities held during the week. The week ended with Friday's Parade and Homecoming games.

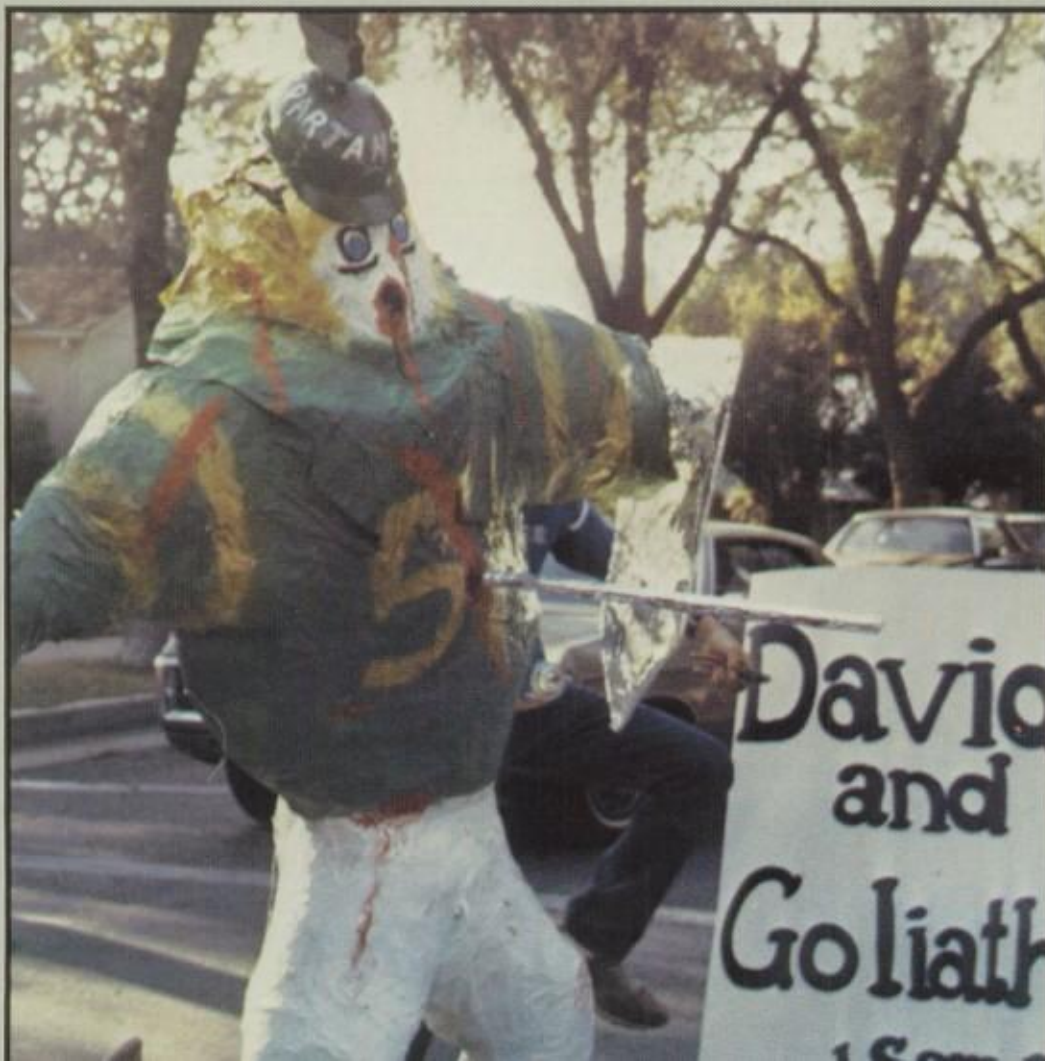
Many students participated in the lunchtime activities and dress-up days. These days really allowed students to show their Falcon pride. Freshman Christy Gardener said, "This week was a lot of fun and very weird."

On Friday many people flocked to Ralston Park to watch the Falcon Homecoming Parade. The parade started at 4 P.M. There were many creative floats and displays. Even though the class of '87 won first place, the class of '89 won second place, and S.A.D.D. won third place, all of the students spent much time and effort to make their floats the best they possibly could.

Friday night's games were happy in one way and sad in another. The JV team upset Davis by a

score of 21-0. This was influenced with great play by Kurt Miltenberger, Jack Ellis and David Tolliver. Despite this victory, the varsity team was unable to follow suit. Jon Derr, Hugh Gary, and Scott Musser still provided a lot of crowd pleasing plays. An Atwater fan, Michael Reese said, "The refs won that game, not Davis."

The highlight of the week was the crowning of Atwater's queen. During the varsity game, the attendants and queen candidates, along with their escorts, entered the field. The three candidates for queen, Nikol Clay, Lisa Tanner, and Michelle Dempsey grew very tense as they awaited the final decision. The attendants, Allison Nunes, Freshman; Michelle Hunt, Sophomore; and Kimberly Burnham, Junior; seemed to be more excited about the decision than the candidates. The crowd gave continuous applause when Ms. Nikol Clay was crowned the 1985 Football Homecoming Queen.



Top right — Holy Blazes! The bon-fire roars at the Homecoming Rally. Bottom left — Get the Spartans where it hurts. At the Homecoming Parade, a display of Falcon mercy was seen on a Davis Spartan.

Top Photo by David Castillo





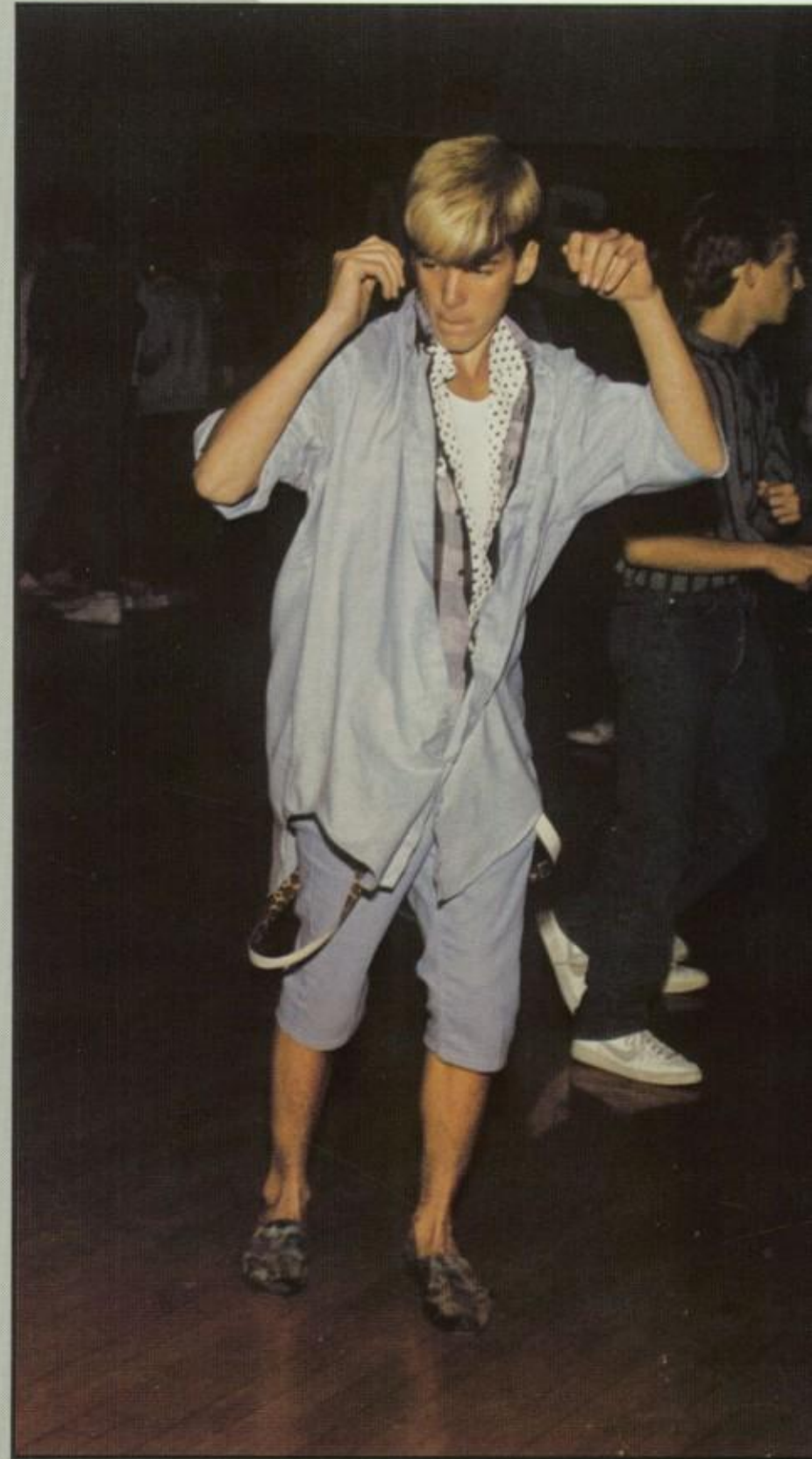
Top — Tears of joy! Nikol Clay after being announced the 1985 Football Homecoming Queen. Bottom — Sophomore attendant Michelle Hunt and escort, Paul Perry; Junior attendant Kim Burnham and escort, Robert Lyles; Senior candidate Lisa Tanner and escorts, Mr. Tanner and Danny Du-

Pont; Homecoming Queen Nikol Clay and escort, Mr. Clay; Senior candidate Michelle Dempsey and escorts, Colonel Dempsey and Mark Sauter; and Freshman attendant Allison Nunes and escort, Dustin Hobbs.



# *Atwater High's Big Adventure*

*Homecoming Really Was An Adventure*



Top left — 1, 2, 3, 4, Falcons warm up before the game. Top right — Movin to the beat. Derek Logan moves to the music at the after-game dance. Bottom left — It's a bird! It's Freddie Falcon in the Homecoming Parade. Bottom right — Intimidation! The Falcon defense gets ready for the play.



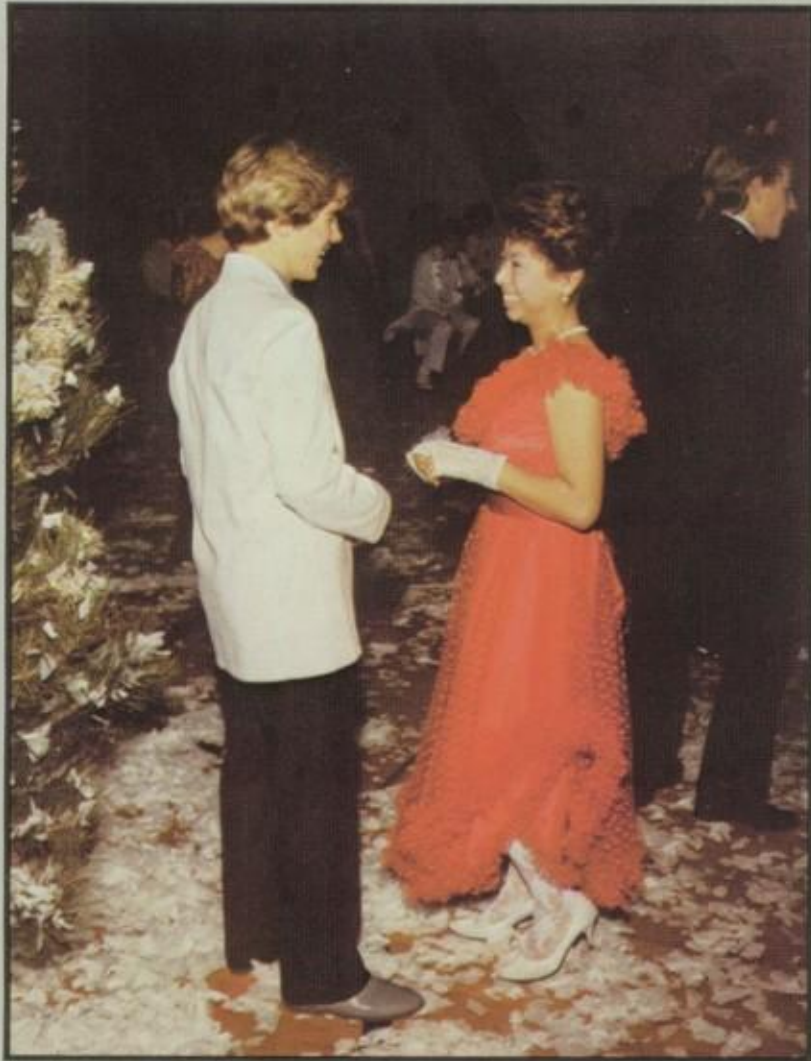


*Top — It's a jungle out there! Hilary Ford and Amanda Wilson on a Homecoming Float.*



# *Twas a Week Before Christmas*

## *An Old Fashioned Christmas*



*by Mandi DeGeorge*

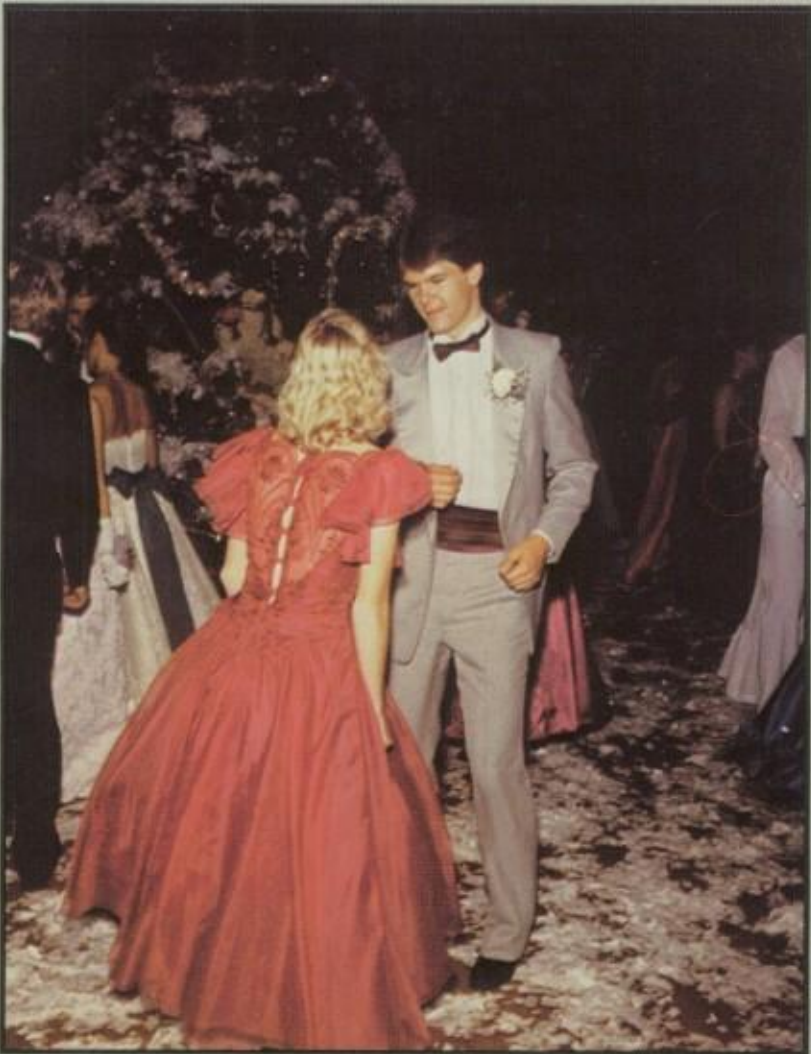
On the cold and winter-like evening of December 14th, students gathered into the gym for the Christmas Dance. Everyone looked very elegant. Ladies wore beautiful formals, from short to long and in every color of the rainbow. Gentlemen came in suits and tuxedos. They all looked very handsome.

The gym was described as looking "Magnificent!" by Michelle Soderstrom. Around the sides of the gym was a big package with ribbon on it. In the middle of the dance floor was a beautifully decorated Christmas tree.

There was even snow on the ground.

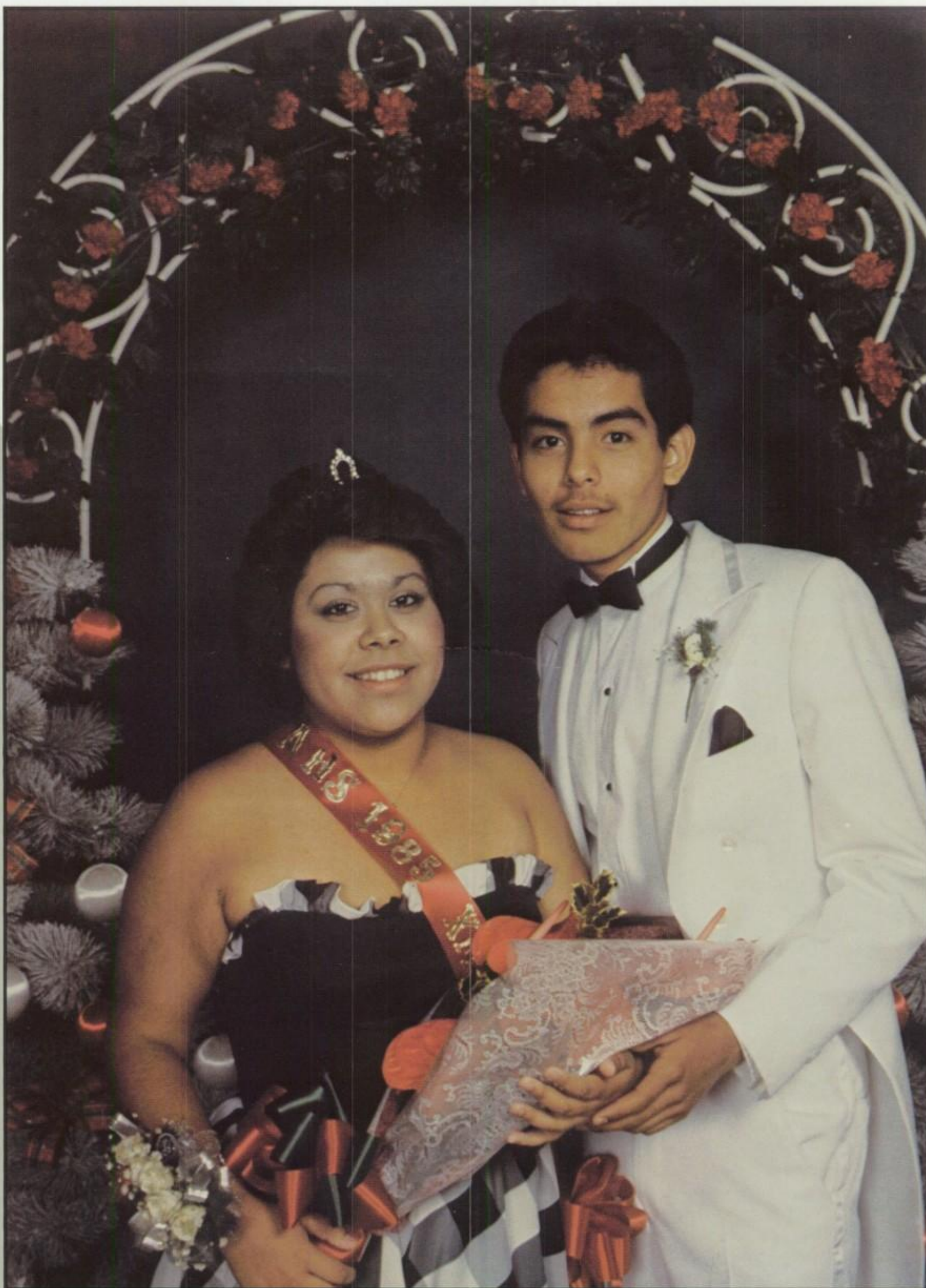
Music was provided by Visual Sounds. They played hot sounds and had a screen with the videos on it.

Around the middle of the dance, the Christmas Queen candidates were announced. The third runner-up was Lisa Tanner for FCA, second runner-up was Gina Balestra for the Pep Squad, and the first runner-up was Crystal McLaurin for BSU. The new Christmas Queen was Irene Reyna for CSU. Irene's group passed out ribbons to wear on voting day and those people voted for her.



Top left — Let the good times roll. Tami Whitted and Robert Cook enjoying themselves. Bottom left — How romantic! Karen Gunhus and Scott Musser sharing a dance. Bottom right — Boogie! Renee Hix and Mike Hargis dance the night away.





*Top — Christmas Queen Irene Reyna escorted by Pete Ramirez.*



# Fast Foods At Atwater High

## McDonalds Is A Way Of Life



by Terri Brown

*They do it all for us! It's a known fact that every student attending Atwater High has been to McDonalds.*

*Some go to indulge on a Big Mac or a McDLT, or both, and some go to see their friends and talk about the latest gossip.*

*McDonalds was as popular as Round Table after the Friday night football games. Whoever wasn't at Round Table was at McDonalds.*

*Most students would agree that there's nothing better than those good ole french fries while you're doing your homework.*

*Fine Dinning? Maybe not, but definitely a way of life!*



*Top left — No time for pictures. Chrissy Bird working hard. Bottom left — Yum! Missy Hoban and Missy Feiber have an after-school snack. Bottom right — No time for reading. Dustin Hobbs devours french fries.*







*Top — "I'd like..." James Kishel gets his order taken. Bottom — "I wish the line would go faster." Tiffany Thulien and Toni Villanueva wait to order.*



# *Spies Like Them???*

## *Friends From Other Nations*



*Veronique Giltay and Timo Kontio.*

### **A Cultural Exchange by Kelly Marie Kepschull**

*Veronique Giltay was an exchange student from Huy, Belgium who stayed in Winton with a host family. She attended Atwater High School for her senior year.*

*"I came because I wanted to travel, to discover the United States, to learn English, to meet people, and to see another type of culture," she said. Veronique liked the landscape of this country and the weather, too. She also liked the attitude of the people here. She cited social freedom as an example, "In America you can be how you want to be and people will not criticize you for it. You can dress how you want to and when you express your opinion people respect it." She also admired people's willingness to do hard work. "People here are energetic.*

*They're not afraid to go the distance," she says, "but, they watch too much television."*

*Veronique missed her family, friends, and country's customs. Although she liked Atwater High School she preferred the school system in Belgium. "Everyone here is bundled together. In my country the people who want to stay in school go to school. Others go to a professional school where they learn a job by experience. When they turn 18, they go to work. Here all the levels are mixed."*

*The time Veronique has spent in America has taught her to think a lot about herself and has forced her to learn to make decisions which affect her life. Her ambition is to work at a job which involves traveling. She will need to be able to speak fluent English, making her experiences here invaluable.*





Top left — There it is! Students head towards the German border. Top right — We're finally here. Students arrive at Germany. Bottom — Hands above your head! Richard Johnson discovers the Berlin Wall.



# Endangered Species

## The Spirit of Atwater High

by Terri Brown

*Kill the Elks. Lynch the Bullpups. Slaughter Merced!!! Atwater did just that. The lunchtime, night-time, and before school rallies helped psych Atwater High students up for their games.*

*Lunchtime rallies consisted of speeches from the football players and activities such as eating contests and relays.*

*The night-time rallies were bonfire rallies. These had cheer and song routines and guest speakers.*

*At the before school rallies, there were cheers, class competitions and skits.*

*The year started off on a sour note because the teachers and the district had a dispute over a contract settlement. In order to meet the minimum day requirements, there could be no shortened day or rally schedules. All the morning rallies had to be mandatory. Some of the teachers didn't appreciate losing their class time, so there weren't many mandatory rallies either. The Student Body Officers tried to make up for this with their lunchtime activities.*

*There were many good rallies, but only because of Atwater's great spirit!*



*Top right — Burn the Davis Spartan! On October 24, a Spartan was burned at the first bonfire rally of 1985. Bottom left — Oreos and spit. Cliff Collins is part of a traditional oreo skit at Atwater High during the Merced rally.*

*Bottom right — Concentration. The Varsity So leaders get ready to do a routine to "Neut Dance."*

Photos by David Cas





Photos by David Castillo

*Top — Here comes the choo-choo. Students participated in Atwater's first lap sit. Bottom — An inside view. After the students sat, they then proceeded to walk in the circle.*



# Strange Brew

## Interesting Food and Interesting People

by Terri Brown

*Strange Brew was right! You could either call the food we ate that, or the different things we did at lunch. On the second Wednesday of every month, we had Pizza Hut pizza day.*

*There was everything from pizza to pastrami sandwiches to chocolate donuts to choose from to eat during lunch.*

*Except for special weeks, every Friday during lunch, there was an*

*activity. On Fridays during football season, the Guardian Angels gave the football player assigned to them their goodies like candy, balloons, and cakes.*

*Students also found time to do their homework and talk to their friends during lunchtime. The library was always open for the students' convenience. Sometimes lunchtime was just a time for thinking.*



*Top right — So much to do, so little time. Lunchtime is when people like Beth Norman, Brett Reed, Alan Hutton, Danielle Busbee, and Apryl Rodgers do their homework, socializing and meditating. Bottom left — Muncha buncha, Fritos go with lunch. Randy Plank, David Calvillo, Rick Bussard, Lee Edwards, Jamie Camp, and Greg Davis get their daily nutrition.*

*Bottom right — "Billy you're kidding. Bill Burnham, Diane Ogden, Melissa Robert, and Lisa Walter have a lunchtime conversation.*



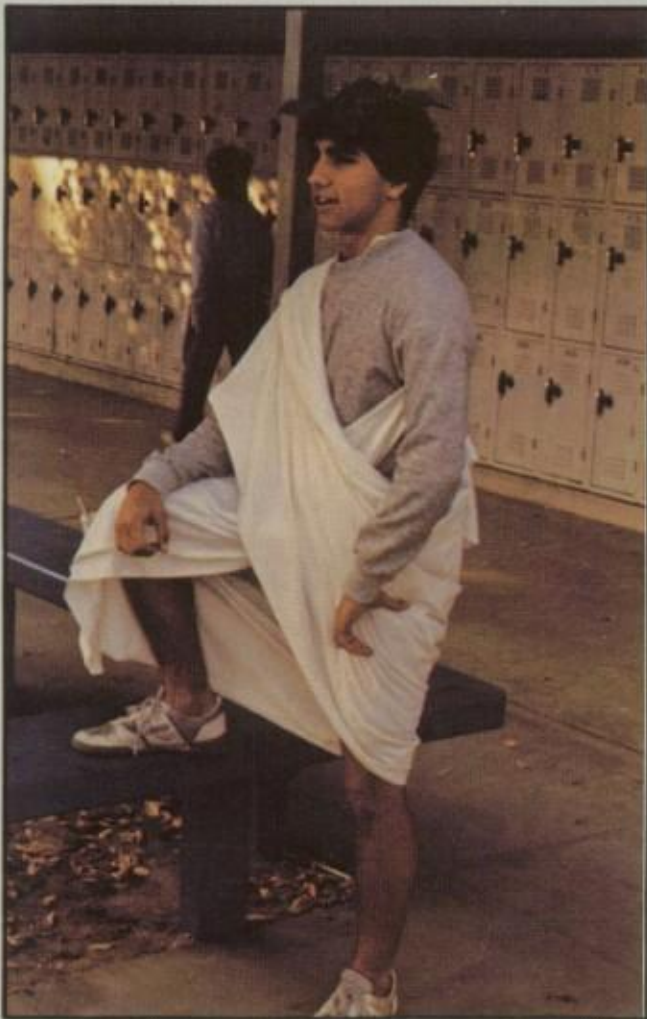


*Top — A time for relaxation. Diana Sanchez sits quietly during lunch.*



# *Desperately Seeking Sanity*

## *Too Much Spirit? No Way!*



*by Terri Brown*

*Do you ever get tired of wearing the same old thing to school? Why don't you wear a toga or dress up like a baby or go Hawaiian?*

*A.H.S. students did. There were more than 20 dress-up days this year to arouse spirit among the students. Noelle Allen stated, "I think it's good because the people that don't get to participate in any other activities get to dress up because anyone can do that."*

*Teachers and administrators also participated. On Halloween, our vice-principal was a sheik and there were a pair of dice walking around who only separated to teach class. More people dressed up on this day than on any other day.*

*The dress-up days were decided by the student council and the Student Body Officers. They were pleased with all the participation. Way to go Atwater!!!*



*Top left — "To be or not to be, that is the question." Dustin Hobbs participated in To Be or Not to Be Day during Merced Week. Top right — Are these A.H.S. students? Yes, they're dressed for Halloween. Bottom right — Up, Up, and Away. Fridays were special days, because many of the football players got balloons from their guardian angels.*

*Photos by David Castillo, Karen Petersen and Stephen Kuykendall.*

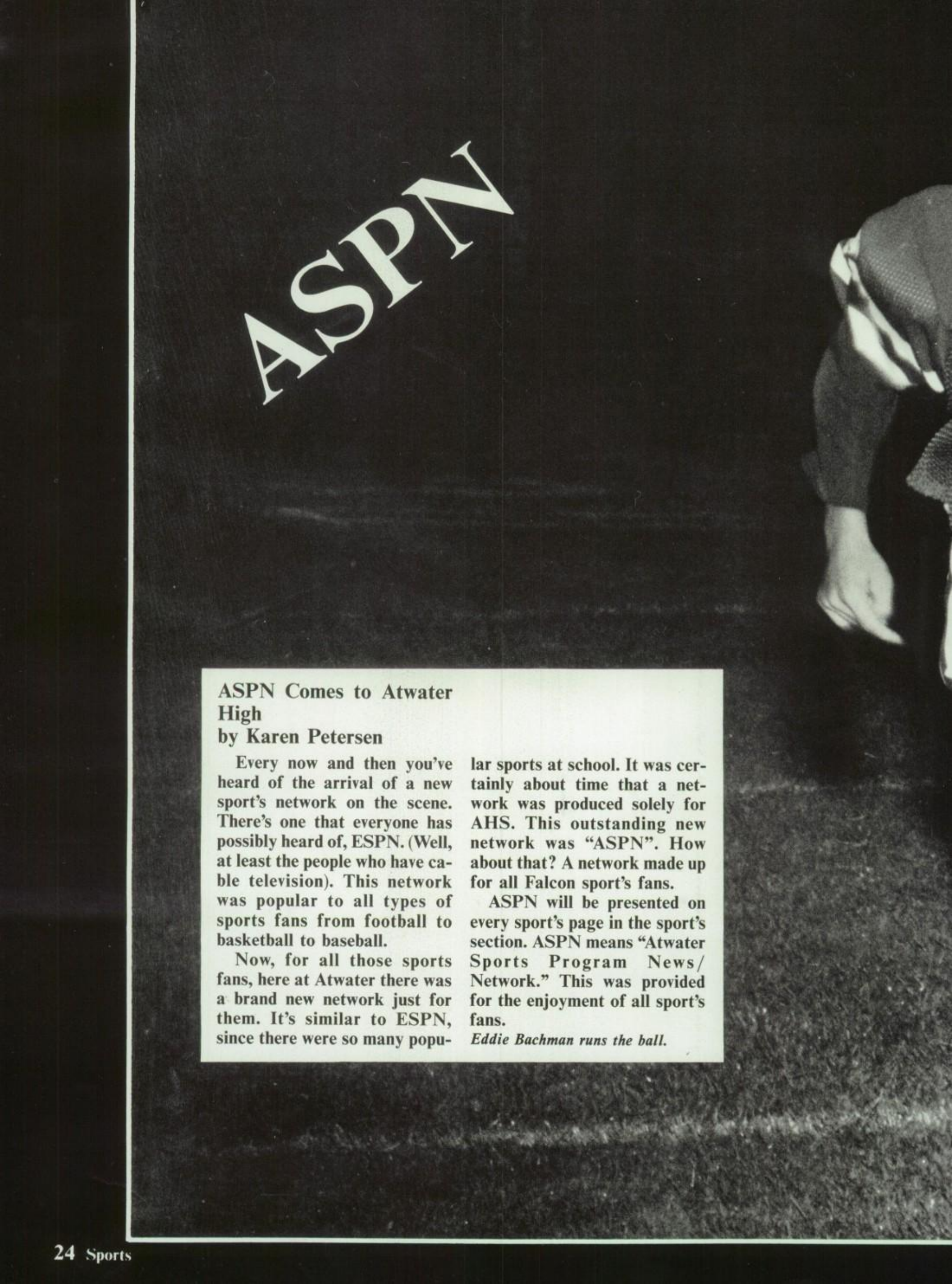




*Top — The newest face in G.Q. Mr. Honey, the Athletic Director, also participated in dressing up on Halloween.*



# ASPN



## ASPN Comes to Atwater High

by Karen Petersen

Every now and then you've heard of the arrival of a new sport's network on the scene. There's one that everyone has possibly heard of, ESPN. (Well, at least the people who have cable television). This network was popular to all types of sports fans from football to basketball to baseball.

Now, for all those sports fans, here at Atwater there was a brand new network just for them. It's similar to ESPN, since there were so many popu-

lar sports at school. It was certainly about time that a network was produced solely for AHS. This outstanding new network was "ASPN". How about that? A network made up for all Falcon sport's fans.

ASPN will be presented on every sport's page in the sport's section. ASPN means "Atwater Sports Program News/Network." This was provided for the enjoyment of all sport's fans.

*Eddie Bachman runs the ball.*







## The Longest Yard by Terri Brown

Atwater got through their football season like running the longest yard. Was the C.C.C. ruling against Atwater justice or conspiracy?

To refresh everybody's memory, Atwater was accused of practicing certain plays, before they were allowed to. It was witnessed by authorities from other schools in August. The protest was filed in October.

Atwater was one of the leading competitors in the C.C.C. They were banned from any chance to be in the playoffs as a result of the infraction.

It was also said that the coach should be punished instead of the team. Coach Burrows thought he wasn't doing anything wrong and still maintains so to this day.

The decision was appealed, but the appeal was denied.

The football team did not let this decision hang over their heads like a dark cloud, but they did know that, had this decision not been reached, they would have gone to the playoffs tied with Davis 3-2.



Top — Struggling for that extra yard. Byron Nelson. Right — “All right!” Eddie Bachman and Robert Wall tell Scott Musser. Far right — Charge! Byron Nelson and Eddie Bachman.

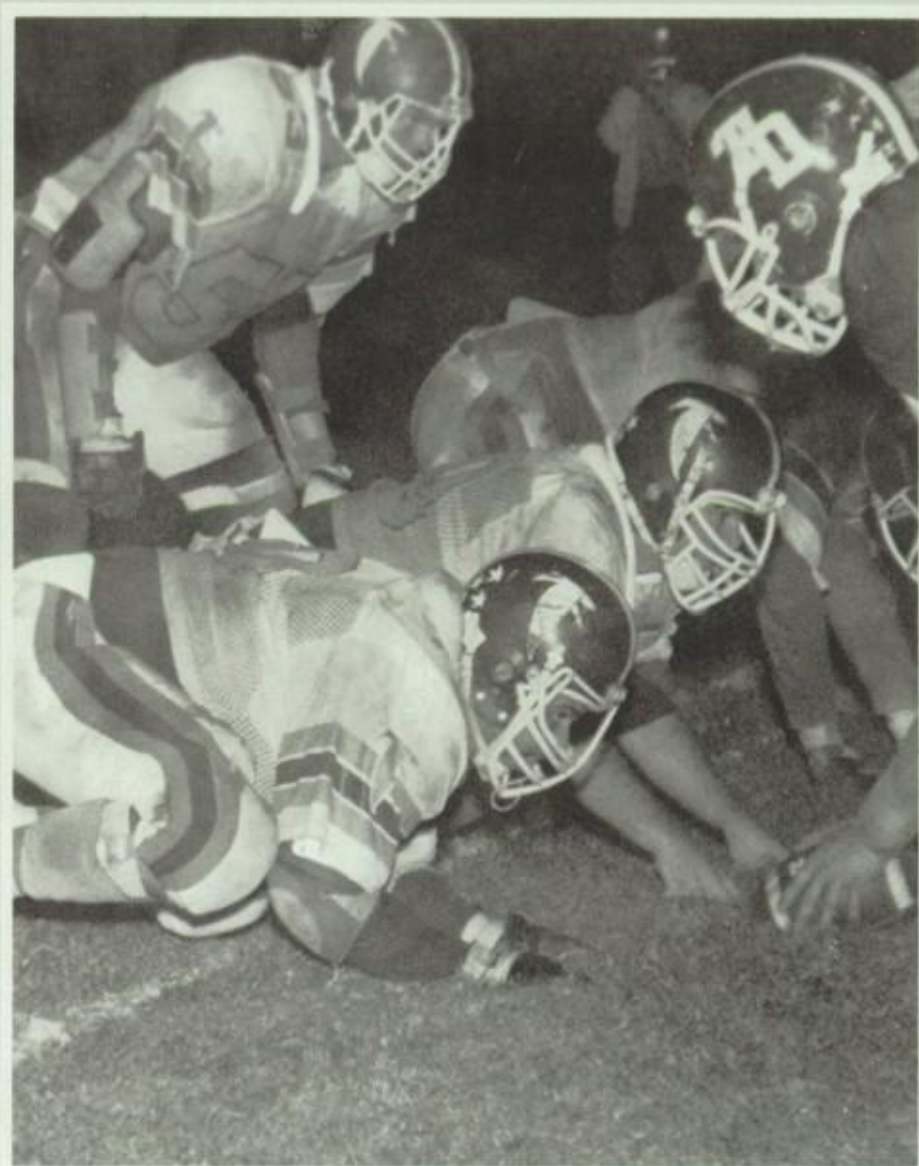






Top left — Pulling it together. Top right — Ready for the handoff. Hugh Gary and Byron Nelson ready for the exchange. Above left — And they're off. Eddie Bachman, Scott Musser and Robert Wall. Above right — Atwater tackles Downey for the ball. Bottom left — Getting prepared for the rally. Mr. Honey, Coach Sziraki, Coach Burrows, and Paul O'Campo. Bottom — Falcons rejoicing. Scott Musser, Byron Nelson, and Charles Post.





Above — Hike! Charlie Post snaps the ball to Hugh Gary. Right — Kill! The defensive line gets ready to attack.

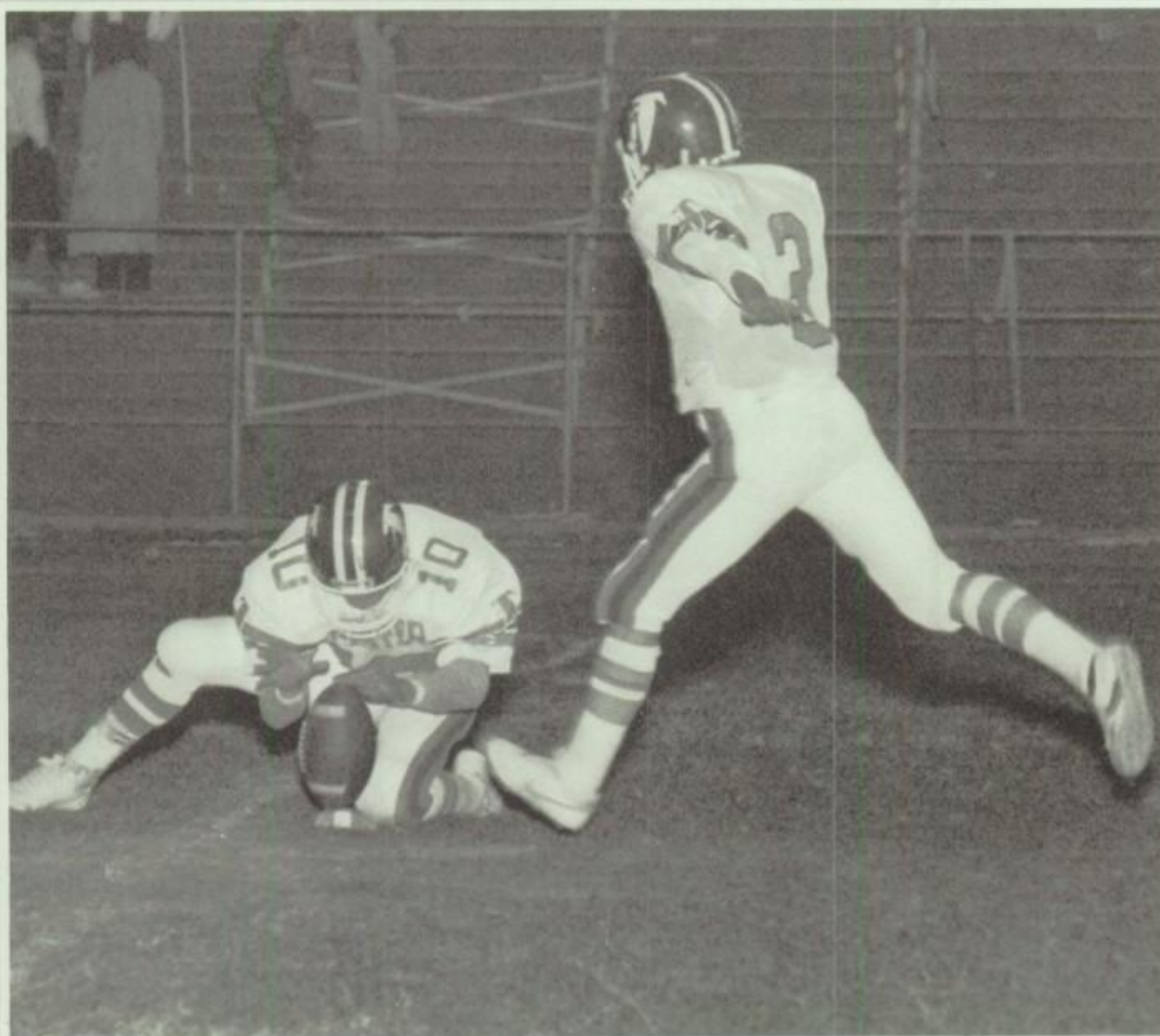




## Varsity Team Members

First row — Felix Trujillo, Javey Derr, Bill Newby, Jon Derr, Scott Leonardo, Ricky Keyes, Danny Rodriguez, Wayne Davis, and Pat Hoover. Second row — Tom Lemas, Mike Dawson, Billy McQueen, Steve Rovig, Byron Nelson, Jeff Souza, Eddie Bachman, Bobby Benton, and Justin Pareira. Third row — David Bryson, Andy Townsend, (Trainer) Ron Williams, (Coach) Bob Abraham, (Coach) Scott Wine, (Coach) Larry Shimel, (H Coach) Mike Burrows, (Coach) Carden Kalceovich, Hugh Gary, Marcus Townsend, and Rodney Grissom. Fourth row — Torrin Johnson, Deron Keller, Weyland Manthe, Robert Wall, Charlie Post, Robert Nunes, Ruben Colacion, Bruce Eason, and Todd Jezek. Fifth row — Keith Bebout, Melvin Jones, Todd Lemas, Paul O'Campo, Gene Franks, Cliff Collins, Ken Dudley, and Eric Townsend. Sixth row — Scott Musser, Eric Veldhuis, Jeff Chambers, Sam Hunt, Ferman Perez, Charles Wright, Mike Phaler, Shane Heafner and Derrick Bell.

# ASPEN



## Varsity Football

Atwater		
3	Beyer	10
19	Downey	21
21	Turlock	14
8	Merced	7
32	Davis	7
C.C.C. Record 3-2		

Top left — Falcon Power. Bruce Eason and Byron Nelson run an offensive play. Bottom left — Kick off! Steve Rovig holds the ball as Jon Derr gets ready to let 'em have it.



## From Out of the Dark by Brenda Callahan

Arriving in the darkness of the early morning, the Varsity waterpolo players began their day with a splash in the face followed by laps, rather than lather.

Practice began at 6:15 a.m. and continued for an additional two hours after school.

"Early morning practice is wonderful! It makes you feel good the rest of the day," explained Sandy Pomeranke known to be accounted for during practice even on days when not feeling well.

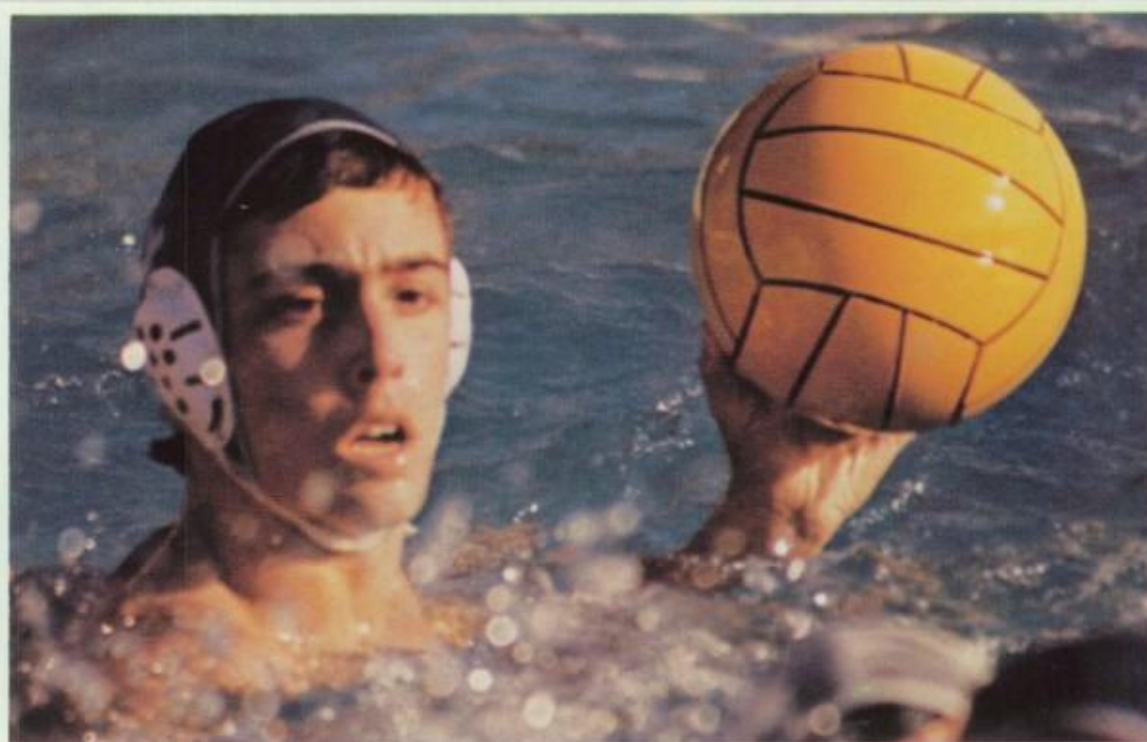
A teammate who shared enthusiasm for the crack of dawn workout was Clark Bird who described it as, "Excellent!"



### Boys' Varsity Waterpolo Members

Front row — Mike Brown, Juan Rameriz, Robert Lyles, Dino Valtierra, and Vance Spears; Back row — David Bell, Brian Powell, Oliver Kesting, Danny McIlhatton, Clark Bird, and Coach Roddy Svendsen.

Open Goal. Brian Powell is ready to fire one in for the score.



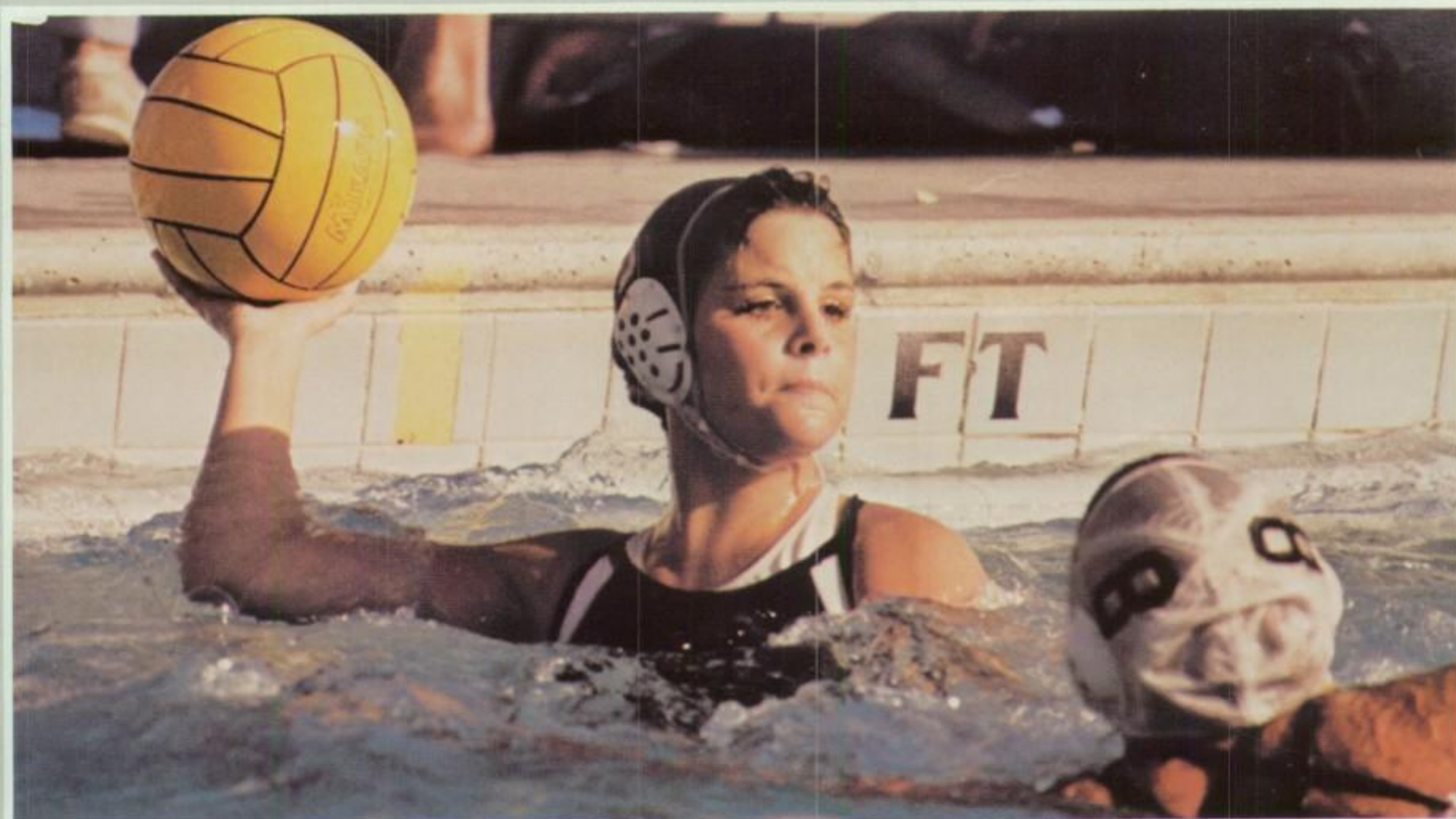
## ASPEN

Waterpolo				
Girls'			Boys'	
Varsity			Varsity	
AHS			AHS	
3	4	Turlock	6	9
3	6	Merced	9	16
1	10	Davis	6	11
6	4	Downey	7	10
5	13	Beyer	7	9
5	7	Turlock	4	9
2	4	Merced	8	14
1	4	Davis	5	8
9	4	Downey	7	8
3	7	Beyer	6	7
	2-8	CCC Record	0-10	

Eagle eye. David Bell scoping out the opponent.







Careful eye. Sandra Pomerence evaluates the position of teammates before passing to ensure the safe arrival of the ball.

## SPLASH!

### Girls' Varsity Waterpolo Members

Front row — Brittany Rohrke, Michelle Wharton, Carolyn Troxell, Lenora Grise, Amy Thompson, and Tracy Yount. Back row — Coach Roddy Svenson, Dawn Elder, Karen Howard, Shannon Johnson, Lisa Ozenbaugh, Colleen Smith, Addy Morauske, and Sandra Pomerence.



Under pressure. Colleen Smith, with protection from teammates, is hopeful of a successful pass.



# Breathless

## Cross Country Team Members

First row — Ginger Conolly, Sue Lee Smith, Stephanie Nugent, Lisa Wade, Erika Cacek, and Tiffany Thulien. Middle row — Danny French, Chris Console, Jason Cleckler, John Grondalski, Jeremy Rahn, Sean Watts, and John Finkbeiner. Back row — Chris Lopez, Scott Mozier, Scott Reese, Kyle Hearn, Dennis Dewitt, Jim Nabholz, Ken Williams.

Getting ready. Jeremy Rahn stretches out before a long cross country race.

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### Cross Country

Atwater		
27	Beyer	30
15	Downey	45
15	Davis	45
36	Merced	30
32	Turlock	27
(Low Score Wins)		
Record 3-2		



Trying hard. Danny French out-running his worthy opponent.



Action photos by David Castillo





## Tennis Talent by Keri Hines

A young team coached by new faculty member Miss Parks, came very close to beating Davis for the first time in the history of girl's tennis. The tie breaking match, which would have meant victory, was fought by the 1st doubles team of Jeb Satiew and Melinda Eads. After playing a terrific match, the duo fell to Davis 6-3 4-6 4-6.

Awards given out for the season were: Beth Norman, Most Valuable; Melinda Eads, Most Improved; Michele Rascon and Michelle Zanders, Coach's Award.

### Varsity Tennis Team Members

Front row — Melinda Eads, Beth Stanley, Jeb Saetiew, and Tricia Hardy. Middle row — Wendy Mazuelos, Debbie Mason, JoAnne Rivera, Delores Hill, and Stacey Anderson. Back row — Beth Norman, Michele Rascon, Michelle Zanders, Pam Lanowy, Gwen Lanowy, and Coach Parks.

Bottom left — Watch the ball. Michele Rascon getting into the swing of things. Bottom center — A little low. Jeb Saetiew hits a low ball. Bottom right — A sly maneuver by Beth Stanley.



### Girls Tennis

Atwater	2	Turlock	3	Atwater	1	Merced	4
Atwater	2	Merced	3	Atwater	1	Davis	4
Atwater	2	Davis	3	Atwater	2	Downey	3
Atwater	2	Beyer	3	Atwater	2	Turlock	3
Atwater	5	Beyer	0	Atwater	0	Merced	5
Atwater	1	Downey	4	Atwater	2	Davis	3
Atwater	2	Turlock	3				

CCC Record 1-10



## Winning Traditions by Terri Brown

What sport is not always called a sport but requires the agility and talent of a sport? Pep Squad.

The Varsity cheer and song-leaders had 6th period athletics and after school practices just as any other athletic team. This sport was year round.

Many students didn't realize that the cheerleaders and song-leaders didn't just run around in skirts and cheer the football and basketball teams on. During the months of January through March, they attended indoor competition.

They began preparing for this before Christmas Vacation. They competed against such schools as Prospect and San Jose.

The Atwater Pep Squads once again brought home more first places to carry on the tradition of winning squads in the past.

### Varsity Cheerleaders

Front to back — Nikol Clay, Lisa Cox, Susan Krasko, Kim Burnham, and Michelle Schanze.

Right — Lisa Pisarcik, Lisa Cox, Kim Fuller, and Shar Smith warm up before the Merced football game.

# ASPEN



Photo by David Castillo





### Varsity Songleaders

Front to back —  
Gina Balestra, Shar  
Smith, Kim Fuller,  
Kim Cox, Karen  
Gunhus, Kristi de-  
Boer, Terri Brown,  
and Lisa Pisarcik.



Left Center — You spin me round! Lisa Cox,  
Kim Burnham, Susan Krasko, Michelle  
Schanze and Nikol Clay at competition.  
Right Center — We're #1! Lisa Cox, Kim  
Burnham, Susan Krasko, Michelle Schanze,  
and Nikol Clay during a cheer at the  
Modesto Competition. Bottom Left — The  
Men All Pause. Kim Fuller, Kim Cox, and  
Terri Brown do a song routine to "The Men  
All Pause" at the Modesto competition.



Action photos by David Castillo



# ASPN

## Varsity Volleyball

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# POWER HITTERS

## J.V. Volleyball Team Members

Bottom row — Heather Richards, Mary Freitas, and Jackie Couto. Middle row — Robin Dame, Annette Stanford, Amy Tanner, and Shari Havel. Top row — Christina Esparza (manager), Danielle Gaines, Susan Milani, Sherry Stanke, Gina Piper, Coach Siefert, and Cheryl Hilliard (manager).

Top — Releasing the spike. Robin Dame snapping a spike, with the help of Gina Piper and Mary Freitas. Middle — Talking it out. Robin Dame, Danielle Gaines, Sherry Stanke, Susan Milani, and Gina Piper talk about the plays.

## J.V. Volleyball

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**Varsity Volleyball Team Members**

Bottom row — Crissy Bird, Tammy Farmer, Michele Peek, Cindy Stanford, and Kruamas Howell. Top row — Tammy Morrissey, Pam Buchanan, Karen Petersen, Deanna Snyder, Melissa Vieira, and Payling Scott (manager).

### **Spikers Wait in the Dark by Karen Petersen**

The Varsity Volleyball team went to sections with a league record of 12-3.

Going all the way to Sacramento, the girls went on to play five times in that one evening. The lights went out right after the fourth match. The spikers waited patiently in the dark for almost two hours for the power to come back on.

When the lights finally came back on, the game went on! Although putting up a tough fight in the fifth match, the squad suffered a dark defeat.

The spikers didn't get home until two or three o'clock in the morning. They were exhausted from the anticipation of the night, the long ride, and their wait in the dark.

Top right — Volleyball team captain Kathy Becker. Left — A great play. Tammy Farmer cheers on teammates after a great play.





## The J.V. Flock of Falcons by Andrea Lewis

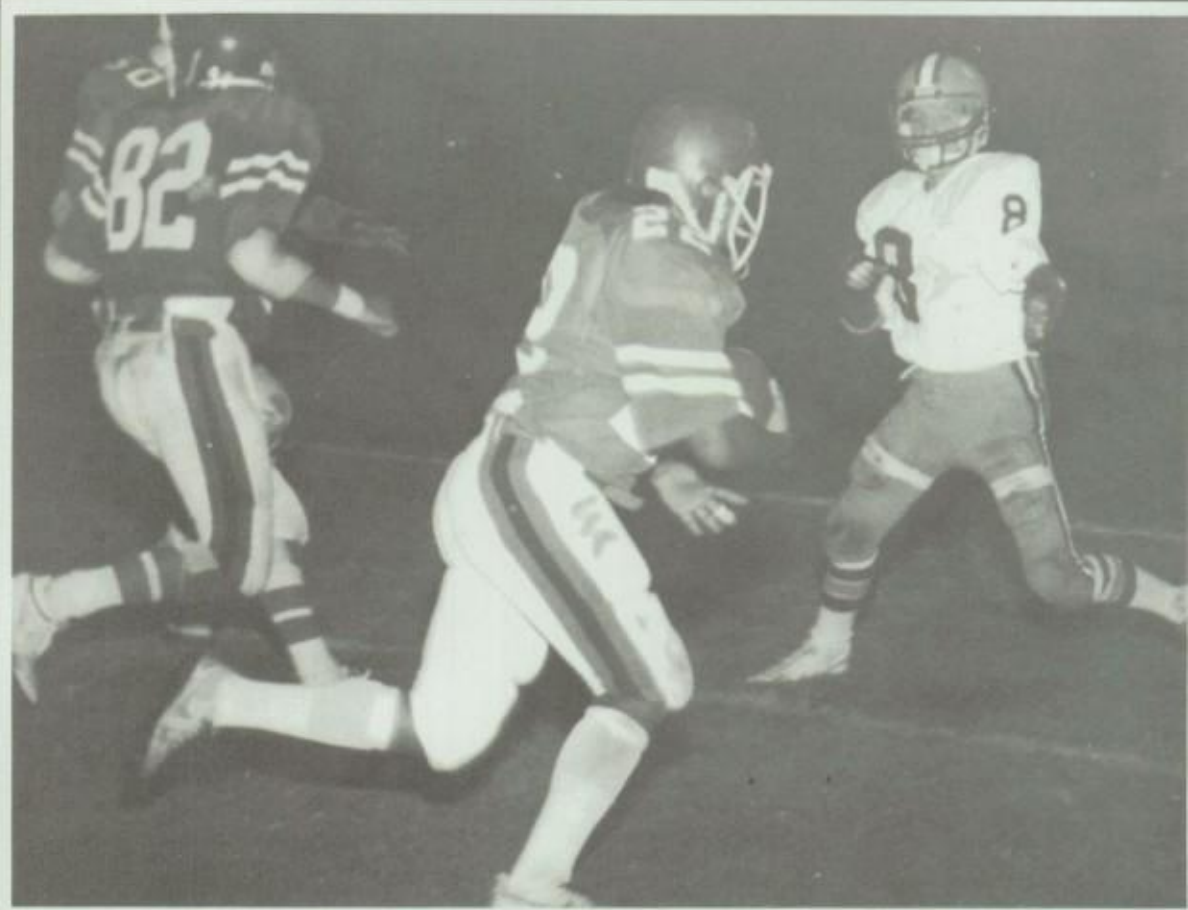
During the few moments before the critical football game begins, a coach has time to prepare his players for the great challenges that lie ahead.

Coach Bell noted some behavior from players. "They all differentiate in their actions. A few keep it locked up inside, some are vocal and shout out their emotions, and several get violent and hit lockers."

Coach Bell liked to help prepare his players as soon as they step into the locker room. He started by playing "Eye of the Tiger," so the players became hungry like the tiger. After that, they all went into a dark room and sat and thought about their responsibility and devotion to the team and school. Then, they had someone look up in the Bible a story to go along with the game they were about to face. Following the story they had an opportunity to pray in silence.

Next, the kickers and the punters went out onto the field and started warming up, while the linemen stayed back in the dark room.

Coach Bell prepared himself for the game. Sometimes this meant all week and sometimes all night, thinking about different plays.



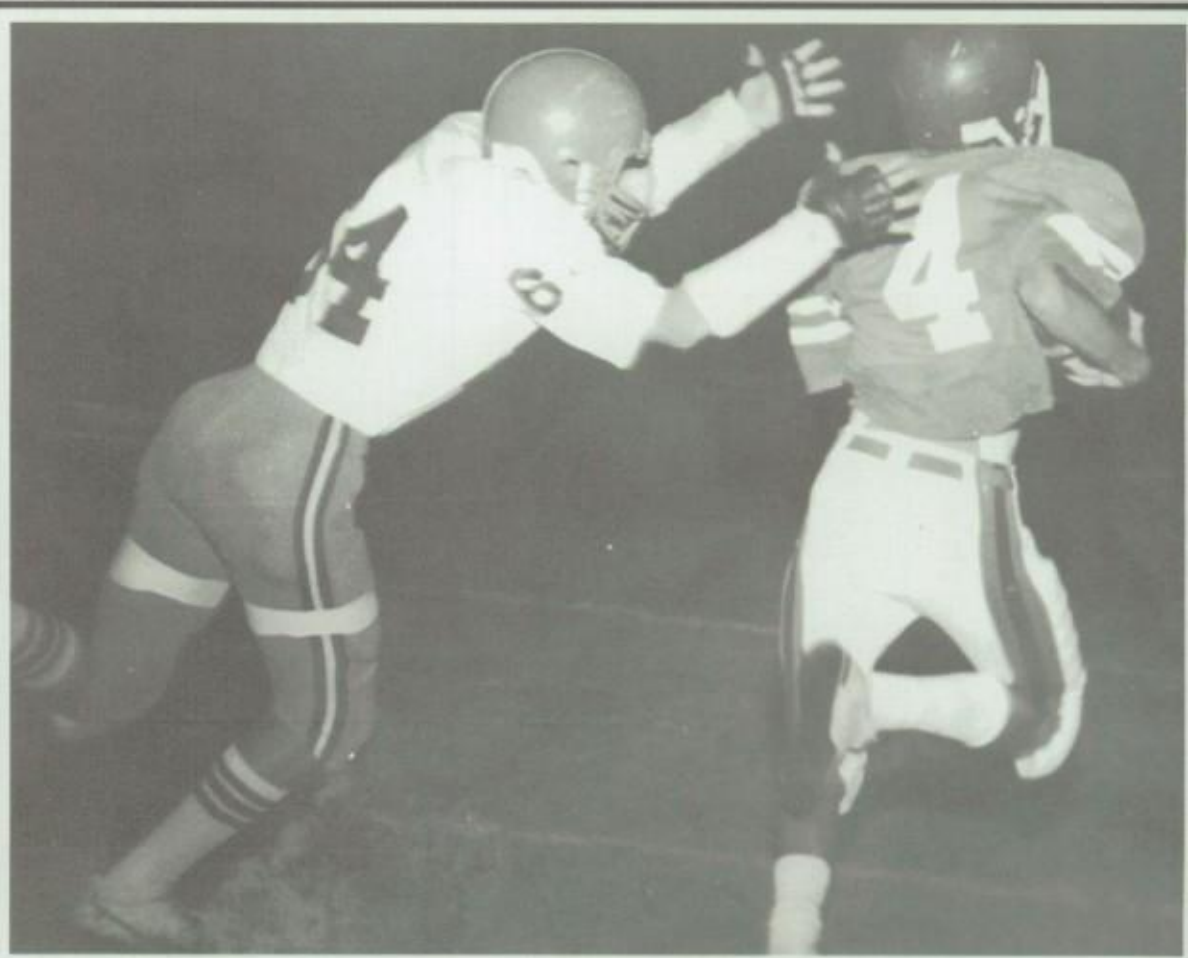
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### C.C.C. Champs Frosh-Soph Football 1985

Atwater	6	Elk Grove	24
Atwater	0	Madera	0
Atwater	28	Manteca	6
Atwater	30	Redwood	8
Atwater	6	Handford	3
Atwater	8	Beyer	0
Atwater	21	Davis	0
Atwater	14	Downey	0
Atwater	28	Turlock	0
Atwater	40	Merced	6

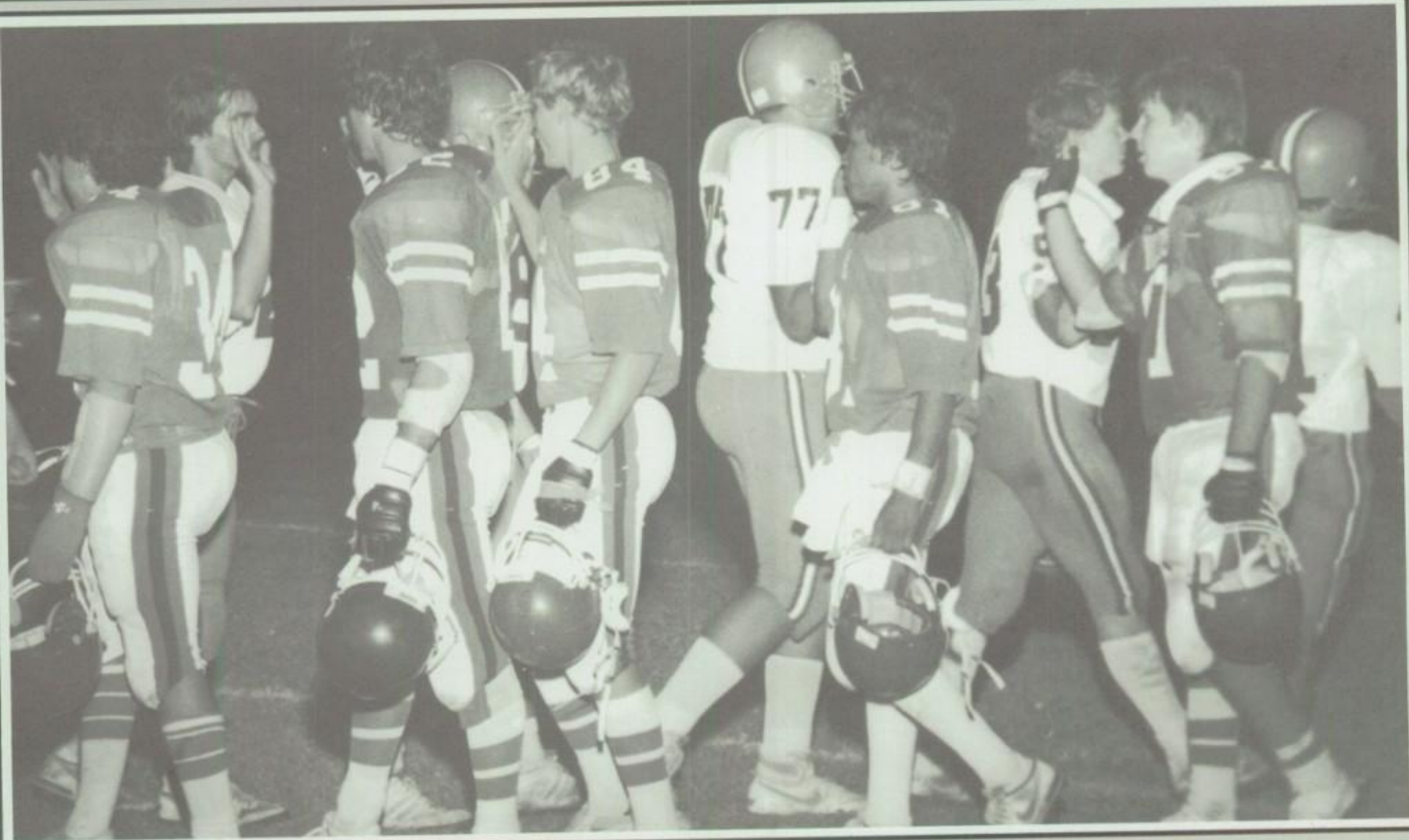
#### UNDEFEATED LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

(The defense went 30 quarters without allowing a touchdown.)



Top — Touchdown in sight. Jose Ayala sprints for the touchdown while Mal Machado adds protection.





Top — Congratulations in store. J.V. Falcons shake hands with opposing team after a great game. Middle — Dig in. Falcon defense starts to put pressure on the opposing team. Opposite page middle — NO first and ten. J.V. Falcon trips opposing team player to stop the down. Bottom — The great escape. Paul Perry eludes the opposing player for the goal.



### J.V. Football Team Members

Bottom Row — Michael D'Antonio, Stacey Wilson, J. J. Pacheco, Tim Newman, Stanley Craig, John Dudley, and Kara Hall. Second Row — John Dacuyan, Jose Ayala, Ricky Bussard, Shawn Mims, Paul Stone, David Pisacco, Kitt Pilachai, Chuck Browning, and Victor Calip. Third Row — Chet Bradley, John Smothers, Coach Addison, Coach Porath, Coach Bell, Coach Garcia, Coach Sziraki, Pat Ott, and Lee Thrasher. Fourth Row — Jason Carmen, Jerry Pitcock, Jason Mahy, Alex Lopez, Mike Datson, Mario Cruz, Guy Griffin, Dan White, and Greg Lowenstein. Fifth Row — Paul Perry, Ron Codd, Ron Casares, Maurice Norman, Manuel Flores, Todd Mueller, David Tolliver, Duane Kamasch, Mike Garcia, and Kurt Miltenberger. Sixth Row — Kendrick Barnes, Jason Porter, Joey Nichols, Ray Whitaker, Charles Donnell, Mal Machado, Roger Johnson, Joel Nichols, Lance Jackson, and Jack Ellis.





## Dedicated J.V. Rooters by Michelle Shankle

It took approximately 493 hours, \$350.00, flexibility, coordination, and a great smile, even when things were going bad, to have been a J.V. Rooter.

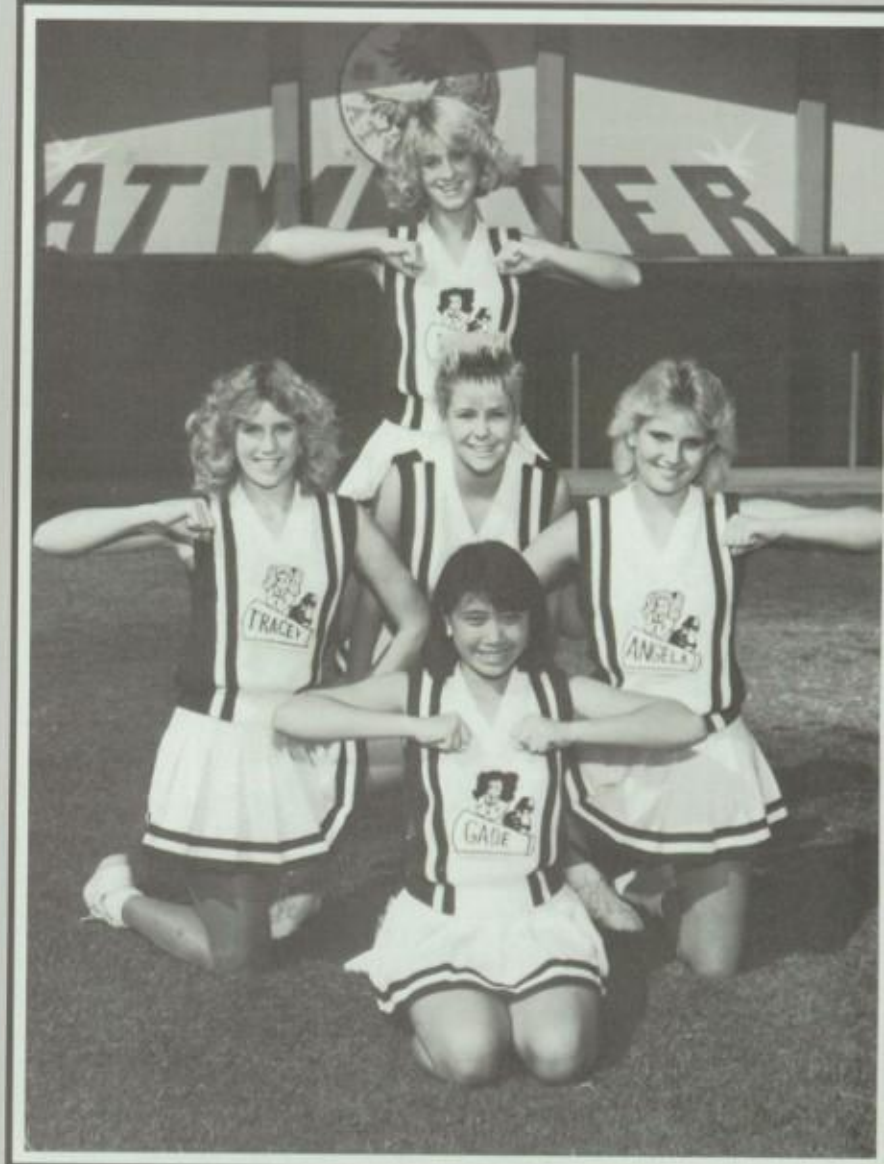
On the average, both teams put in about two hours after school, four days a week. However, if there was a competition, they put in six hours a week after school, going up to 12.5 hours the week before competition.

The teams' routines were made up by the entire squad, and not just by one person. Cheers for

the games were generally passed on to them from past years.

Tryouts for both of the squads were said to be very difficult. It prepared them to see how fast they could learn routines. It also helped them in coping with the amount of pressure they were under during the school year.

Even with the amount of money and time they put in, both of the squads agreed that it was worth it to represent Atwater High at their very best.



### Junior Varsity Cheerleaders

Bottom — Gade Phantawong. Middle — Tracey Rowe, Lacrishia Ortiz, and Angela Pemberton. Top — Kim Mashburn.

### Junior Varsity Songleaders

Bottom — Lora Pizarro. Middle — Debbie Puku, Brenda Knapp, and Kelle Chatham. Top — Michelle Hunt and Nikkie Cole.

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Top Left — Praying for a win. Lora Pizarro waits patiently. Middle Left — “Go Get ’em Blue!” Gade Phantawong and Kim Mashburn show their enthusiasm for the Falcons. Bottom Left — Waiting for a point. Michelle Hunt, Debbie Puku, and Gade Phantawong cheer the Falcons on. Bottom Right — Taking a glance at the score. Songleader Kelle Chatham keeps smiling.





## The Season that Almost Wasn't by Tony Jenkins

Many people who joined the freshman football team said that they were influenced by friends and idols.

Casey Cockrell, running-back and free safety said, "Roger Craig really influenced me. He is my favorite. Watching him run was exciting and I thought I would take a shot at the game, and one day might be like him."

Most of the others said that they joined because they liked the sport and felt that it would be a challenge. Defensive-back and wide receiver Ron Mariano said, "My friends really inspired me to join and I just went for it."

The biggest cloud hanging over the frosh team's head was their season. Many players were dropped from the team because of grades. This really hurt the team a lot. Offensive tackle, George Sousa commented, "Our season did not go too well. It wasn't that bad, considering it was our first year."

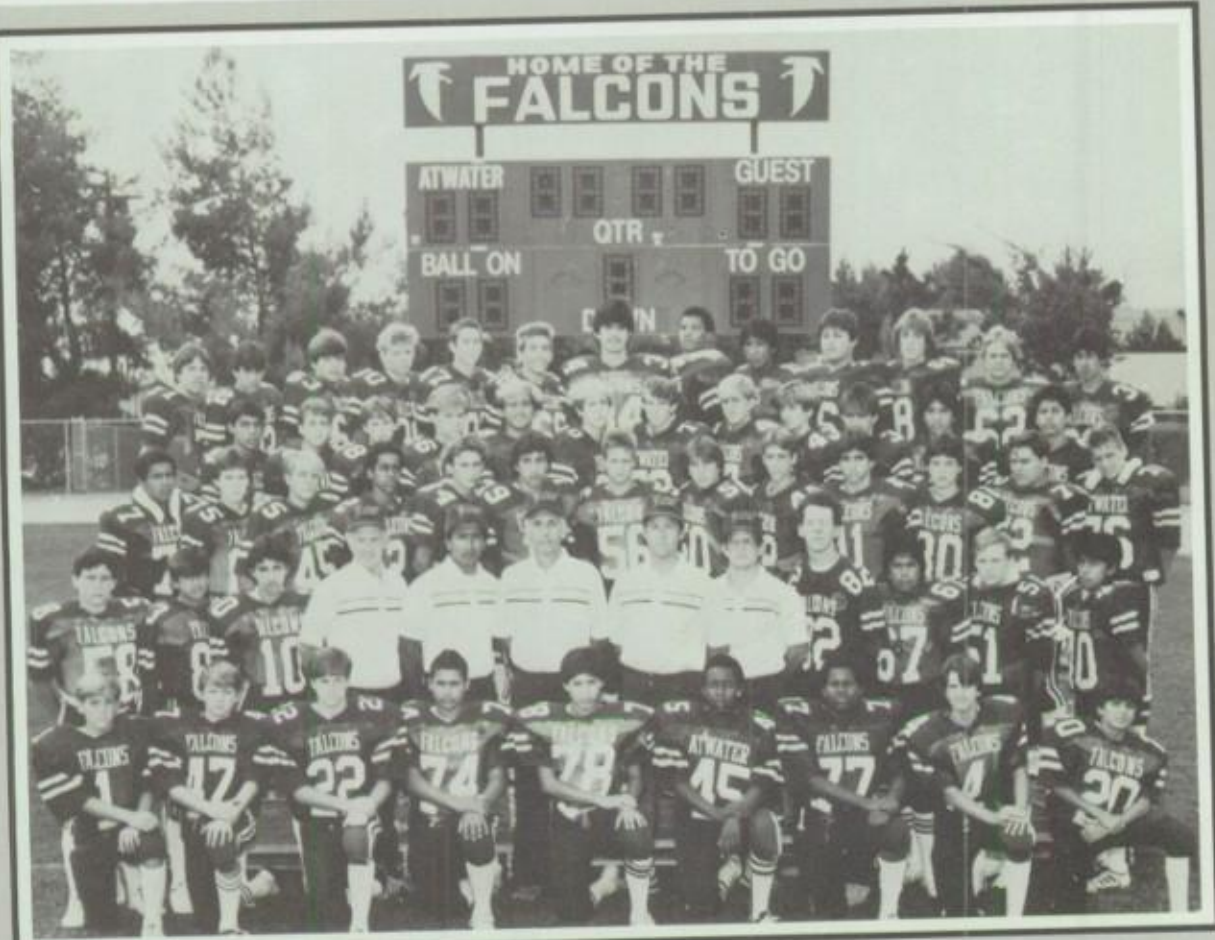
All of the players agreed that it was going to be hard to play up to last year's standards.



Left — Up and away. Punter Chris Cardy barely gets this one off. Above — Going for the goal. Running-back Bobby Arnes attempts to take this one all the way. Top — Ready and waiting. Quarter-back Cody Peaden awaits the hike from his center.



## Freshman Football Team Members



Front row — Jaime Ochoa, David Ivy, Lloyd Robinson, Robert Page, Jose Fregoso, Gustavo Verver, Bobby Allison, Richard Niehays, and Mike Bell. Second row — Mark Sanchez, Mike Belloli, Steve Mendoza, Jesus Ochoa, Coach Franklin, Coach Contreras, Head Coach Brown, Coach Brown, Coach Davis, Steve McCarthy (manager), and Jim Mason. Third row — Jorge Barajas, Casey Cockrell, Bill Deardorff, Kevin Chambers, Gary Ledford, Philip Ruiz, Bobby Rankin, Chris Miller, Darren Francis, Dustin Hobbs, Jason Dagnino, George Souza, and Ryan Jezek. Fourth row — Mike Bega, Russ Lawson, Ronnie Webb, Todd Mattos, Ron Mariano, Robert Protho, Norman Griffin, Mike Schanze, Chip Hatten, John McGrath, Frankie Ramos, and Anthony Martinez. Back row — Wayne Esau, Jason Wilson, Scott Sanders, Allen McCreary, Mark Rogers, T. J. Blevins, Bobby Arnes, Victor Berry, Cody Peaden, Tony Lopez, Jason Shetler, Robert Cook, and Robert Gonzales.

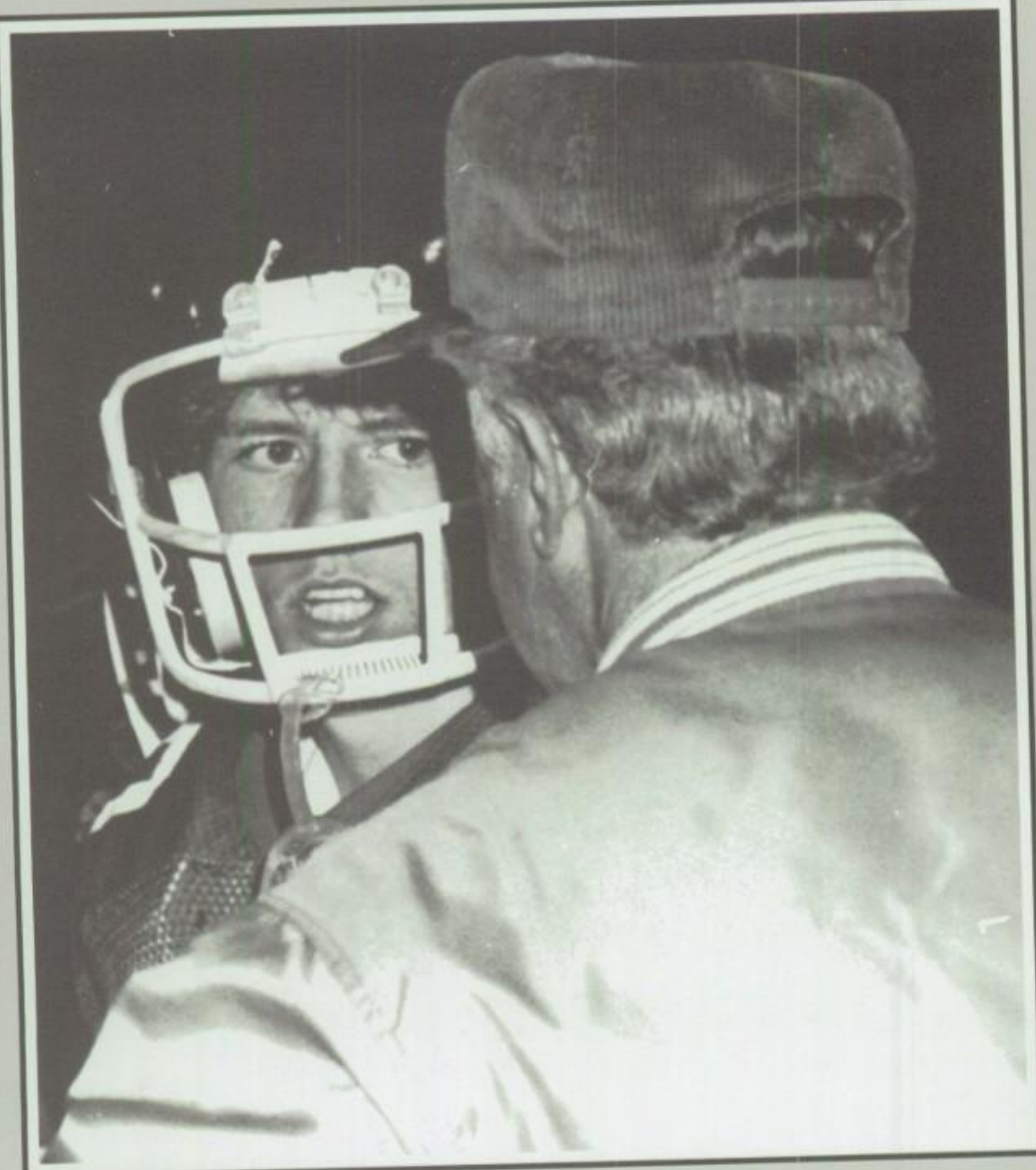
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### Frosh Football 1985

Atwater	14	Beyer	7
Atwater	0	Davis	7
Atwater	0	Downey	14
Atwater	0	Turlock	27
Atwater	8	Merced	6

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Inspiration. Coach Franklin giving a few words to Allen McCreary.





## Treading Water by Missy Hoban

The J.V. waterpolo team had a good season considering their team was made up of a lot of first year players.

The team was coached by Chuck Cunningham. Total practice hours for the team in a week varied from eleven to fifteen hours. In order for the team to keep up with these hours the players had to have a tremendous amount of endurance.

Their season led to the meeting of new people and the building up of strength.

Up and at it. Andy Dewitt positions himself to guard against a goal.

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### Men's J.V. Waterpolo

Atwater	3	Turlock	7
Atwater	5	Merced	5
Atwater	6	Davis	4
Atwater	6	Downey	4
Atwater	7	Beyer	2
Atwater	8	Turlock	5
Atwater	4	Merced	6
Atwater	6	Davis	2
Atwater	7	Downey	8
Atwater	5	Beyer	6

### J.V. Waterpolo Members

Bottom Row — Ivan Hitomi, Devin Johnson, Kelly Sadler, and Mike Brigham. Second row — Jeff Parsley, Sean Lehman, David Weskamp, Chad Robinson, and John Livria. Third row — Coach Cunningham, Vernon Cook, Paul Heppner, Aaron Heppner, Paul WRIGHTEN, Andy Dewitt, and Matt Hunt.



Action Cheerleading photos by David Castillo.





## Freshmen Rah-Rahs Work Hard for Success by Missy Hoban

In order for the Freshmen cheerleading squad to be successful, they were assisted by Sally Franklin, Miss Suffecool, and members of the other squads.

Top left — Keeping their spirits. The Freshmen cheerleaders do a routine during half time. Top right — During pre-warm ups. Crystal McLaurin shows Allison Nunes a new jump.



## Freshmen Cheerleading Members

Melanie Courtney, Laverne Comerie, Tara Moon, Crystal McLaurin, Allison Nunes, Karin Wetzel, Jennifer Nordman, and Kim Stinson.

Bottom left — "It's time out so shout it out." Allison Nunes, Tara Moon, and Jennifer Nordman show their stuff. Bottom right — At their first rally. Allison Nunes, Tara Moon, Laverne Comerie, Karin Wetzel, and Kim Stinson lead their class in a cheer.





## Down the Court by Mila Hoban

Success is not always measured by wins. With a young team consisting of nine juniors, the men's varsity basketball team still had the confidence they needed to win.

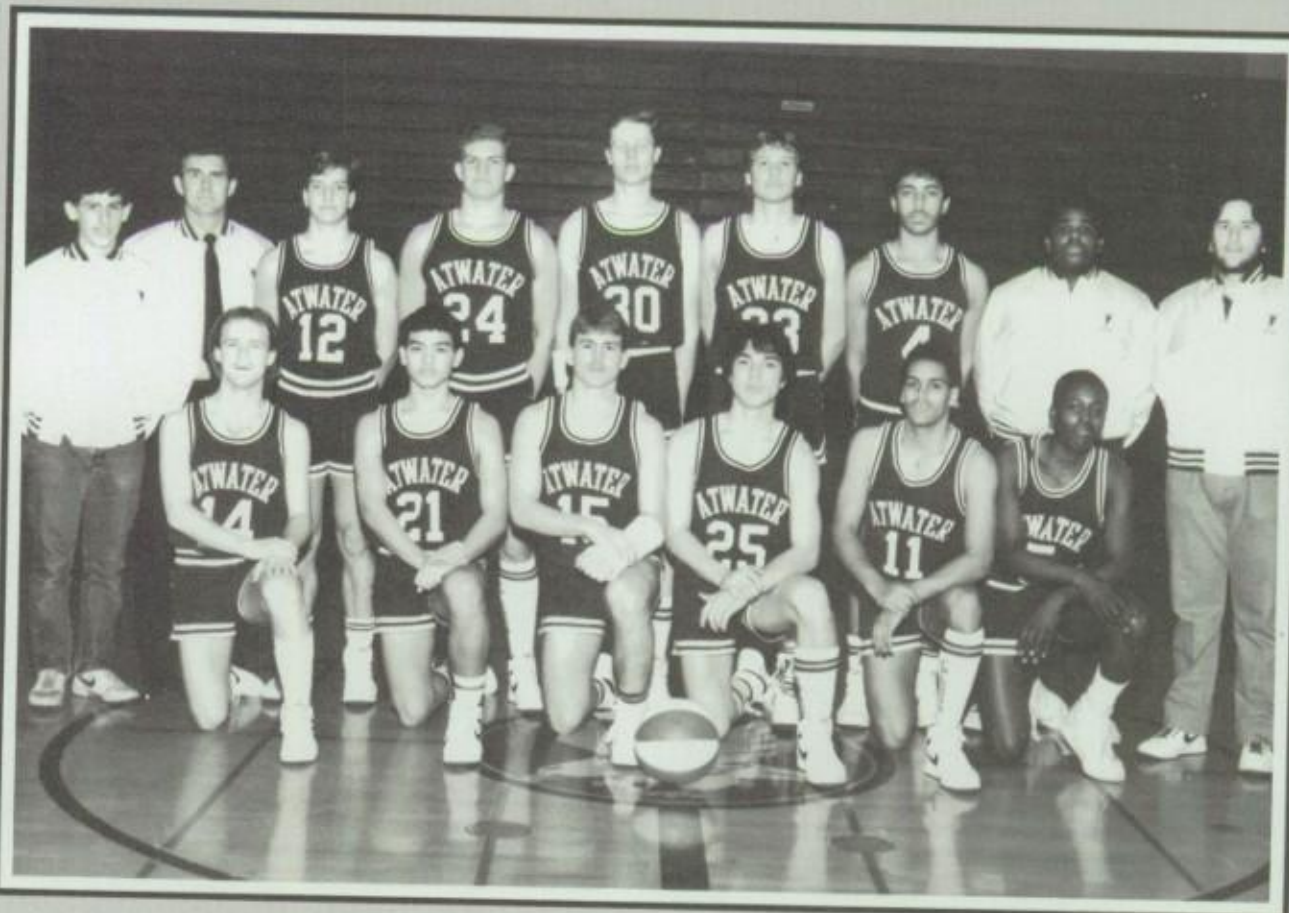
Over confidence was a big problem in their games. Even though they had the advantage of being gifted with speed they still needed to know when to slow down and gain control of the ball. The team had to learn from their mistakes.

Mr. Schanze commented, "Each player had to contribute and do his best." He was unable to pick the "best" because, "Each player had a different role." He felt privileged to have had such a good group of players this year. He also said that their attitude was great and each had done their part to make a successful year.

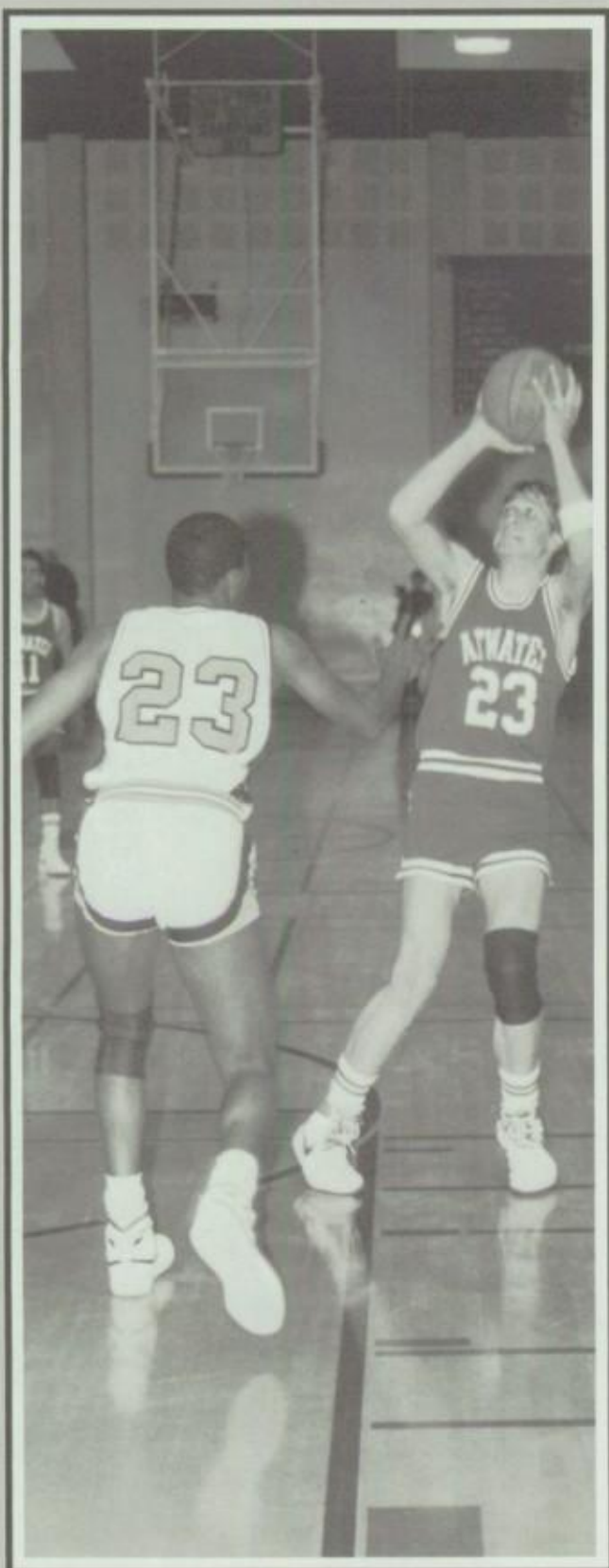
Time Out! Coach Schanze gives some advice to the team.

### Varsity Basketball Team Members

Front row — Reggie Boesch, Danny Dupont, Charles Havel, Eddie Bachman, Hugh Gary, and Joe Allison. Back row — Carl Dantonio, Coach Schanze, Jeff Harskamp, Sam Hunt, Mark McCutchen, John Kane, Mike Brooks, Ron Williams, and Ismael Martinez.







Far left — Concentrating on the basket. John Kane shoots for two more.

#### 1985-1986 Basketball Season

Atwater	62	Turlock	49
Atwater	72	Merced	88
Atwater	55	Davis	61
Atwater	74	Downey	70
Atwater	65	Beyer	55
Atwater	61	Turlock	60
Atwater	69	Merced	83
Atwater	63	Davis	51
Atwater	76	Downey	62
Atwater	78	Beyer	76
Atwater	65	Turlock	53
Atwater	64	Merced	83
Atwater	49	Davis	65
Atwater	76	Downey	50
Atwater	94	Beyer	82

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Left — "M — A — K — E — Make it Traven make it." The crowd yells as he shoots for the free throw. Bottom — Out smarting a Merced player. Mark McCutchen drives for the score.





# Falcons Just Want to Have Fun

## Basketball Homecoming Brought Changes

### *The Start of Something New* by Mila Hoban

What, a Basketball Homecoming King? That's right, the Student Body Officers and representatives decided to try something at Basketball Homecoming — a Homecoming King!

The King candidates were picked the same way as the queen candidates, but the girl's basketball players picked them. There were three senior candidates along with the underclassmen attendants.

The week seemed to be pretty busy with three dress-up days: Twin's Day, Sweats Day, and Spirit Day.

Friday was the big Homecoming rally, which turned out to be great. It started off with the varsity cheerleaders and songleaders doing a routine, then there was a class competition where the sophomores were judged the loudest by Mr. Worden, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Suffecool, and Mrs. Dallas.

The Freshmen came out on top in the Slam-Dunk contest, with a unique pyramid made by Bobby Arnes, Damon Clyce, and Casey Cockrell.

The Senior Homecoming candidates had to participate in a relay where they each had to blow flour out of a bowl and find an M & M at the bottom, eat a spoon of peanut butter, eat three crackers, run around a chair five times, and then sit in a chair and whistle. The winner was Derron Keller.

There was also a class competition with a guy and a girl representing each class. The guy was down on his hands and knees blindfolded, while the girl was on his back with a ball. The object was to get to the other side of the gym bouncing the ball all the way down the court and make a basket. Sophomores Robin Dame and Tony Tydingco won.

The Homecoming game was



Top — Ride'um cowgirl. Julie Livria gets a ride from Jon Derr at the Homecoming rally. Bottom — Competing for the best! Homecoming candidates Eddie Bachman, Michelle Richter, Derron Keller, Hugh Gary, and Lisa Tanner racing for time while Susan Krasko cheers them on.





against the Beyer Patriots. The queen candidates and class attendants were escorted and introduced during halftime when Miss Brittany Rorhke was crowned the 1986 Basketball Homecoming Queen.

The Falcons won the game with

the final score reading Atwater 65, Beyer 55.

After the game was the Homecoming dance in Falcon Hall. The first Homecoming King, Eddie Bachman was crowned at the dance.



Top left and right — All smiles. 1986 Basketball Homecoming King Eddie Bachman, and Basketball Homecoming Queen Brittany Rorhke. Bottom — Senior candidates: Michelle Richter and escort, Oliver Kesting; Lisa Tanner and escort, Charles Havel; Junior attendant, Lisa Pisarcik and escort Ross Turner; Sophomore attendant, Tracy Rowe and escort, Kurt Miltenberger; and Freshman attendant, Crystal McLaurin and escort, Mike Schanze.



## Back to the Court by Kenny Dudley

Whether it's being played by men or women, basketball is a very exciting sport, with players even more exciting than the sport itself.

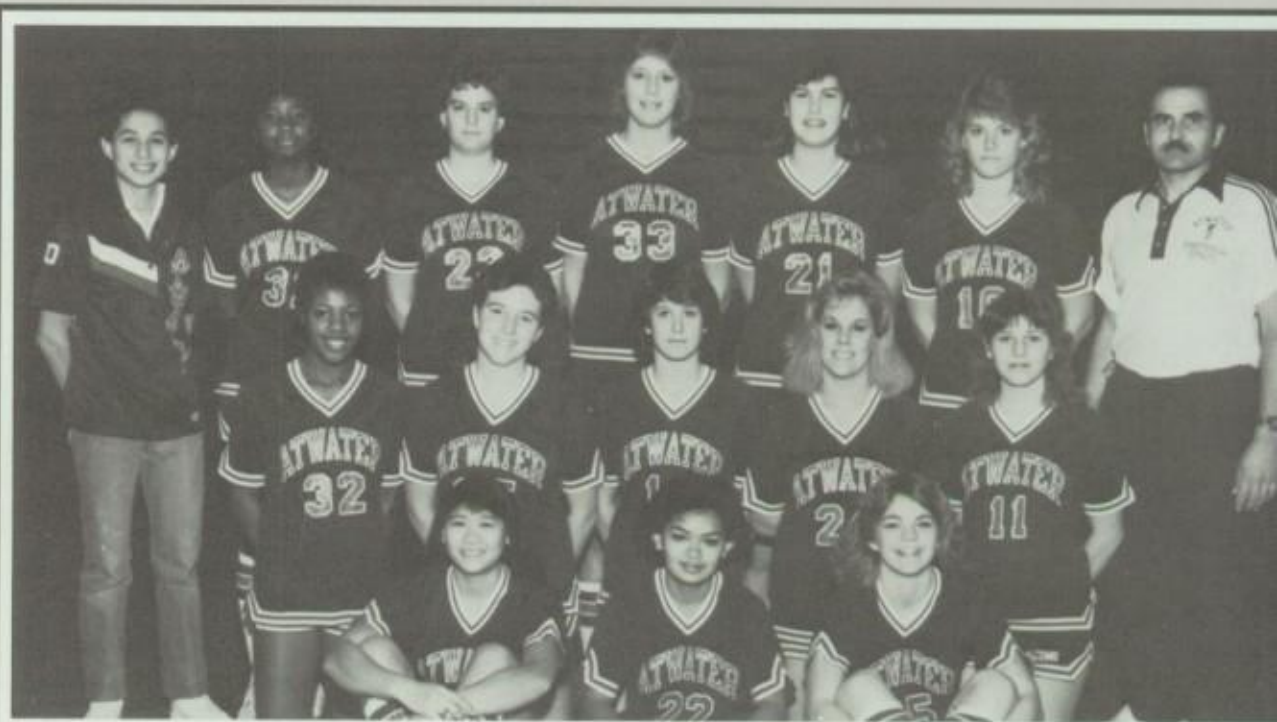
Coach Parreira said that his strongest players on the team were returning award winners from the 84-85 season. Kruamas Howell, M.V.P. in the C.C.C.; Ginger Connolly, first team all league for the 84-85 season; Sonya Whitten, honorable mention for last year's C.C.C. team.

The female cagers of the 85-86 season got off to a very good start defeating the Lodi Flames by a score of 64-36. These girls continued to build momentum by winning the Linden tourney, and defeating Hughson for the championship.

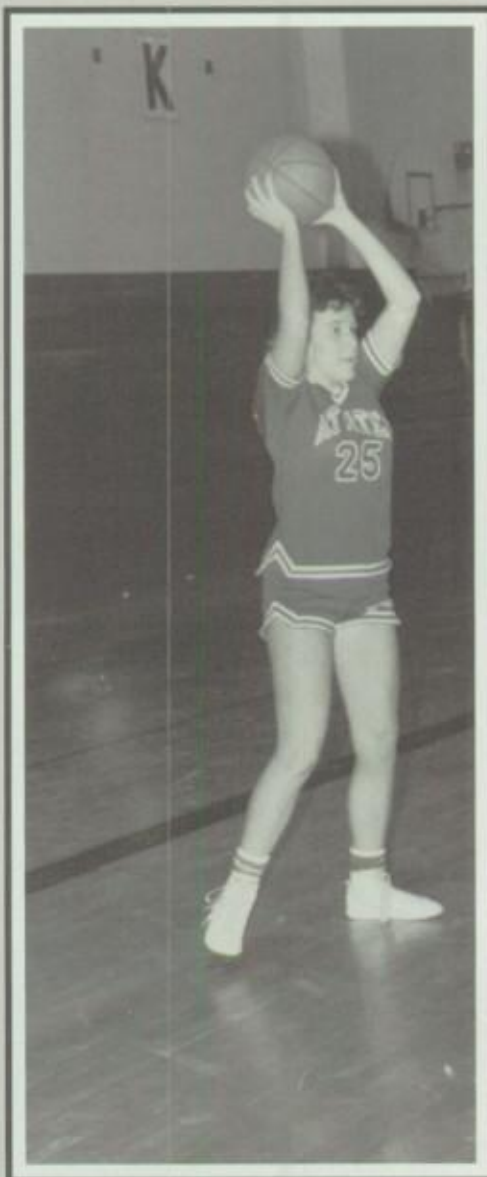
### Varsity Basketball Team Members

Front row — Kruamas Howell, Melinda Eads, and Donna Fisher. Second row — Tammi Morrissey, Stephanie Kruppa, Deanna Snyder, Carol Rethwisch, and Michelle Peek. Back row — Manager Dan Quintero, Sonja Whitten, Karen Petersen, Miriam Phillips, Ginger Connolly, Michelle Zanders, and Coach Parreira.

Top left — Evading defenders. Kraumas Howell gets the ball past a double dose of trouble. Top right — No stopping the Falcons. Sonja Whitten goes up and over a Beyer defender for two. Bottom right — Strategy plans. Coach Parreira goes over team plans.







Far left — Studying the hoop, Ginger Connolly gets set for a bonus shot at the free-throw line. Left — Who's open, Looking for the open player is Stephanie Kruppa.

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### Women's Basketball 1985-86

Atwater	23	Turlock	33
Atwater	41	Merced	31
Atwater	41	Davis	35
Atwater	51	Downey	41
Atwater	61	Beyer	45
Atwater	43	Turlock	42
Atwater	60	Merced	43
Atwater	50	Davis	31
Atwater	33	Downey	43
Atwater	65	Beyer	48
Atwater	48	Turlock	35
Atwater	54	Merced	48
Atwater	56	Davis	33
Atwater	58	Downey	61
Atwater	59	Beyer	56

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Far left — Getting control. Donna Fisher snags the ball to gain control of the boards. Left — It's two for blue. Michelle Peek positions for a jumper.



## Young Team in Old Sport

The wrestling team was made up of primarily first and second year grapplers. This made them one of the more inexperienced teams in the C.C.C. "Even though we were a young team, (mainly freshmen and sophomores), we did have a lot of talent . . . and what we lacked in experience we more than made up in desire," said an enthusiastic Coach Davis.

Wrestling is not only the oldest sport, but also one of the most demanding. "It is not a sport for everyone. It takes a lot of guts and determination to stick it out for an entire season, and those who did can take pride in their accomplishment," stated Coach Davis.

Top right — Holding on. Ferman Perez holds on as his opponent tries to work his way off the mat.

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### Varsity Wrestling

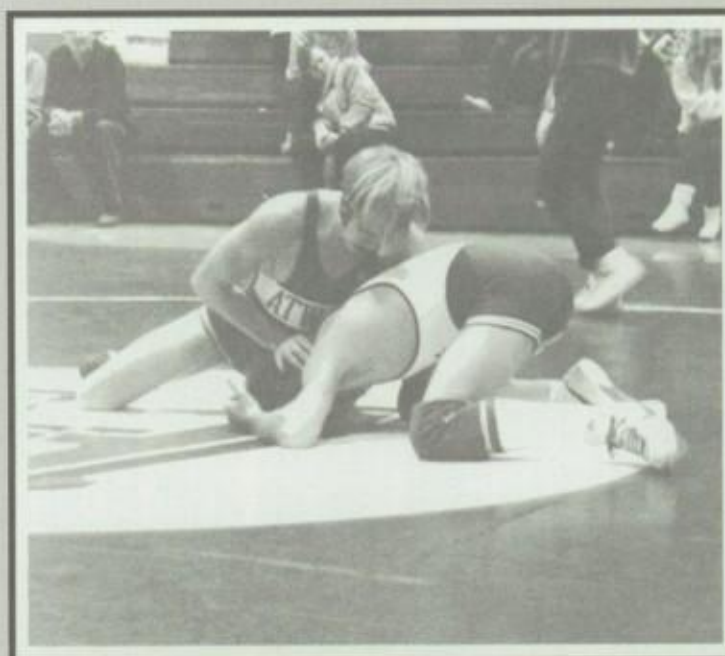
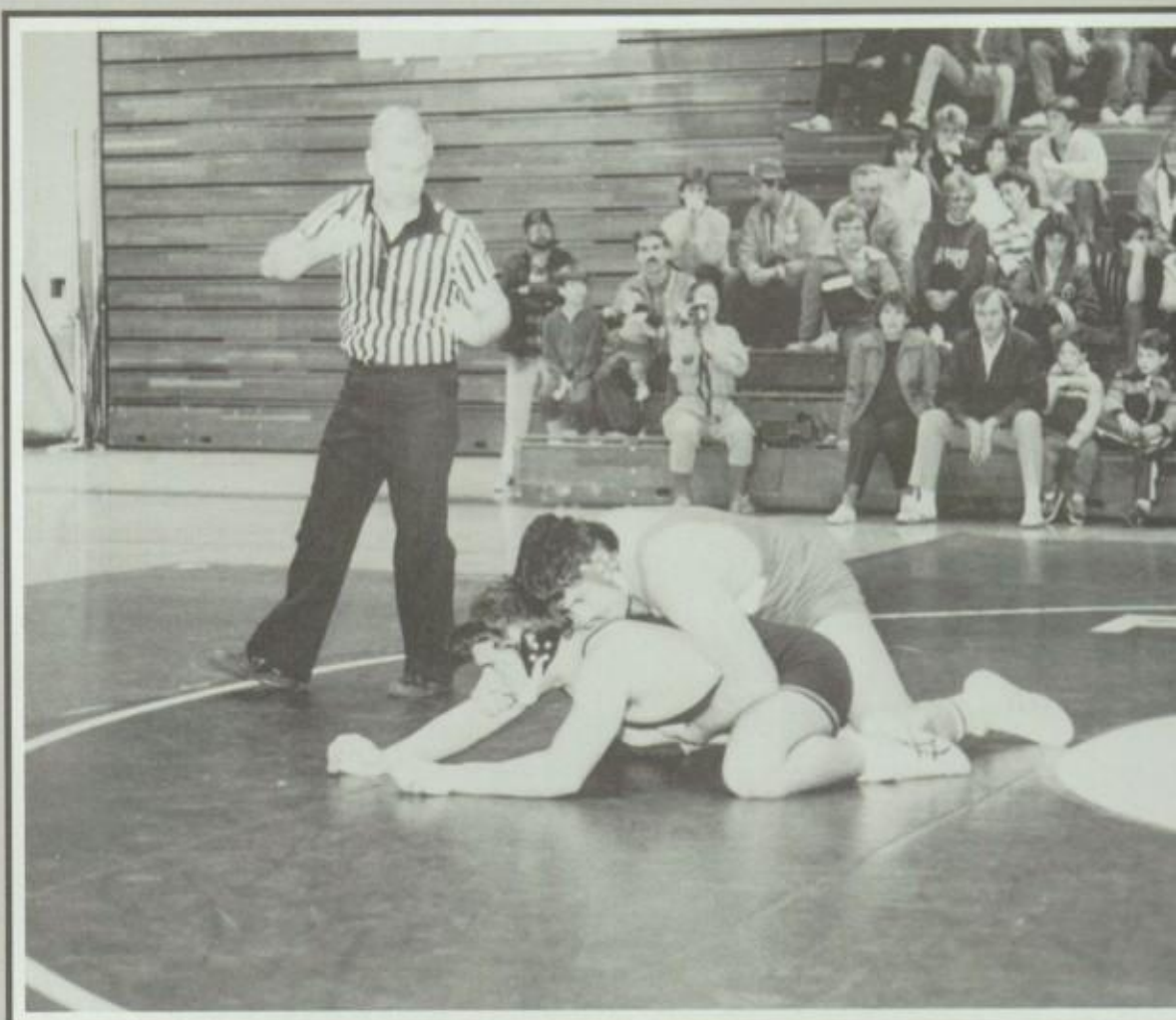
Atwater	22	Turlock	51
Atwater	8	Davis	61
Atwater	19	Merced	49
Atwater	46	Downey	30
Atwater	18	Beyer	52

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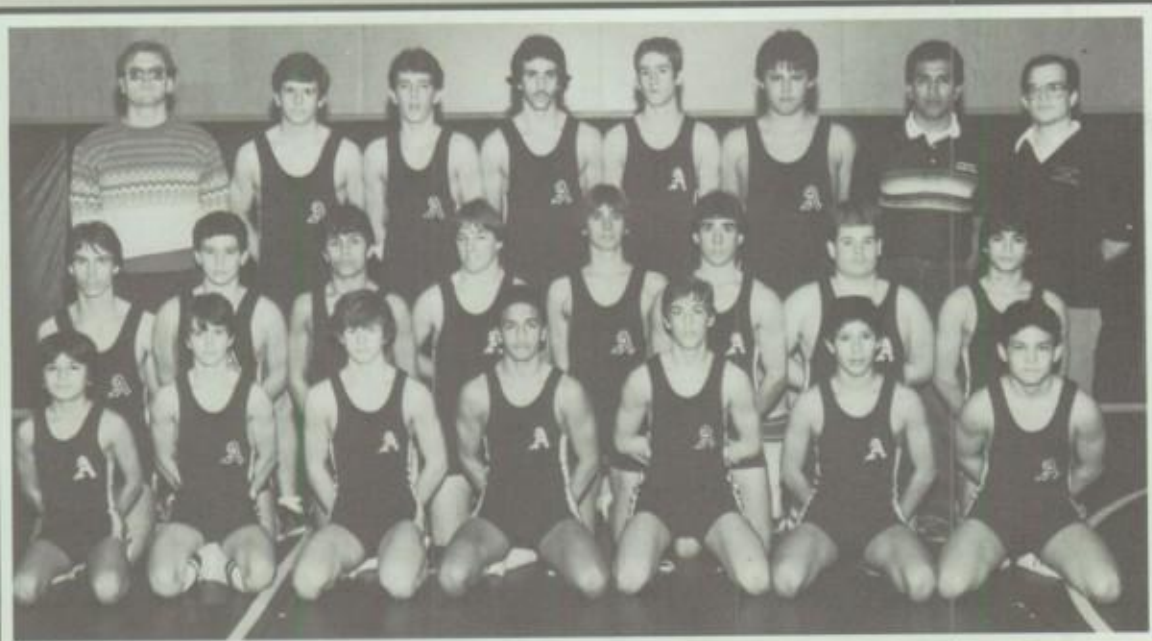
### Varsity Wrestling Team Members

Back row — Coach Davis, Coach Contreras, Jacob Jacobs, Craig Conway, Ferman Perez, Robert Cook, and Coach England. Top row — Stan Craig, Richard Bernatz, David Guerrero, Jules Kent, Jay Dallas, and Romero Seja.

Right — Keeping the pressure on. Jay Dallas keeps the pressure on as he tries to get around on his opponent. Far right — Up towards freedom. Romero Seja tries to escape from his opponent.







### J.V. Wrestling Team Members

Back row — Coach England, Mike Allen, Aaron Widener, Rich Johnson, Mark Rogers, Tony Lopez, Coach Contrerras, and Coach Davis. Middle row — Eric Whitney, James Mason, Anthony Martinez, John Smothers, David Kelly, Scott Sherman, Greg Chin, and Sergio Garcia. Front row — Jim Ochoa, David Ivy, Bobby Allison, Fernando Ceja, Darren Francis, Jose Fregoso, and Ivan Hitomi.

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### J.V. Wrestling

Atwater	6	Turlock	66
Atwater	24	Davis	42
Atwater	30	Merced	33
Atwater	42	Downey	30
Atwater	28	Beyer	48

CCC Record 1-4

Left — Getting a leg in. Robert Cook is trying to keep his hold on the opponent.

### Wrestling Mat Maid Members

Angie Grandov, Marianna Rodriguez, Cheryl Jones, Anna Rodriguez, Lisa Perez, Janet Balch, and Tricia Hardy.

Below — Time is almost out. Mat Maid Tricia Hardy is just about to signal time is up.





## Men's Varsity Soccer Team Members

Front Row — Javey Derr, Miguel O'Choa, Luis Martinez, Jerry Aujero, and Eric Paris. Middle Row — Mark Sauter, David Bell, Greg Cardey, Scott Chatham, and Jon Derr. Back Row — Mal Machado, Jim Buchanan, Ken Thompson, Donnie Godfrey, Chris Lopez, and Coach Ethan Duewell.



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### The Team Works Hard by Karen Petersen

The men's team did work their hardest. There was always the struggle to win, and they put up a good fight.

To prepare for these tough games, the team practiced from three until dusk. They also put all of their effort into practices and games.

Rod Little, assistant coach for the team replied, "The team does have a lot of skill, and they did also work as a team out on the field during a game and practice."

One of the most strenuous sports is soccer. The men's soccer team stressed this point.



Middle — In pain. Javey Derr taking a break from the game. Bottom — Position to kick. Chanwhit Growden gets into position to kick the ball down the field.



### 1985-86 Men's Soccer Team

Atwater	1	Turlock	2
Atwater	1	Merced	3
Atwater	0	Davis	1
Atwater	2	Downey	2
Atwater	0	Beyer	1
Atwater	1	Turlock	0
Atwater	1	Merced	1
Atwater	0	Davis	2
Atwater	3	Downey	0
Atwater	1	Beyer	3
Atwater	3	Turlock	2
Atwater		Merced	
Atwater		Davis	
Atwater		Downey	
Atwater		Beyer	

CCC Record





## 1985-86 Women's Soccer Team

Atwater 0	Turlock	2
Atwater 4	Merced	1
Atwater 1	Modesto	4
Atwater 0	Downey	3
Atwater 1	Central Catholic	0
Atwater 1	Turlock	3
Atwater 2	Merced	1
Atwater 1	Davis	4
Atwater 0	Beyer	5
Atwater 0	Central Catholic	1
Atwater 1	Modesto	0
Atwater 1	Davis	3
Atwater 0	Downey	2
Atwater 0	Beyer	3

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## The Team Scores! by Karen Petersen

That's right! The women's soccer team really scored.

With a three year drought on the team's hands, they finally found the formula to win. With the talent of the team and the patience of the coach, they all had to know that this was going to be the best season ever.

Coach Parks was really proud of the team winning those games.



Left — The other direction. Renee Hix preparing to kick the ball away from her opponent. Top — Down the field. Mary Freitas fighting for the ball.

## Women's Varsity Soccer Team Members

Front Row — Angela Hix, Mary Freitas, Tisha Cook, Jackie Cota, and Daina Berry. Middle Row — Renee Hix, Beth Tohati, Jennifer Cox, Lakhvir Sodhi, Tracy Yount, and Beth Stanley. Back Row — Mila Hoban, Missy Feiber, JoAnn Cedillo, Missy Hoban, Andrea Lewis, Dawn Washington, and Coach Sandy Parks.





## All it Takes is a Little Work by Tami Whitted

Fifteen seconds left in the game, Atwater has the ball, he's going down the court, he goes up, shoots . . . and, and . . . **MAKES IT.**

Many times when the game was in this position, the crowd usually didn't realize what thoughts may be going through the players' minds. Some of the players may have been thinking, "What is the coach going to say?" or, "What is the school going to say?"

Being on the basketball team, the players have realized that to have a good season, it took total teamwork. "We have a lot of teamwork and I think that's great," was a comment from Kurt Miltenberger. They found that when they worked together, it really helped them on the court.

There were many reasons for the players to join the team. Chris Heller joined, "Probably because I'm short."

Kurt Miltenberger joined because, "It's an exciting sport, it helps me stay shape, and it's fun to hear the roaring of the crowd."

### 1985-1986 Basketball Season

Atwater	44	Turlock	42
Atwater	54	Merced	52
Atwater	50	Davis	56
Atwater	44	Downey	49
Atwater	60	Beyer	56
Atwater	32	Turlock	30
Atwater	75	Merced	56
Atwater	56	Davis	46
Atwater	76	Downey	48
Atwater	45	Beyer	57
Atwater	58	Turlock	34
Atwater	49	Merced	42
Atwater	53	Davis	30
Atwater	56	Downey	47
Atwater	54	Beyer	57

CCC Record 11-4

### J.V. Basketball Team Members

Top Row — Coach Mr. Braa, Bruce Eason, Max Madiyag, Chris Heller, Ed Bishop, Devin Nugent, and Shane Gentry. Bottom Row — Tony Tydingco, Raj Samra, Kurt Miltenberger, Robert Fuentes, Dung Nguyen, and Vic Calip.

Right — Fast break. Kurt Miltenberger receiving the ball and getting ready to go down the court. Below — Long stride around. Tony Tydingco trying to get past his opponent. Below right — Flying high. Dung Nguyen flying in the air to shoot the basketball.



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## J.V. Basketball Team Members

Top Row — Tiffany Thulien, Monic Jones, Pam Buchanan, Sho (Shaulanda) Rittenhouse, Melissa Vierria, and Beth Norman. Middle Row — Toni Villinueva, Rhonda Dame, Robin Dame, Ruth Castillo, and Amy Tanner. Bottom Row — Liz Call, Latisha Cook, Heather Richards, and Tiffany Cresci



## The Crowd, Publicity, and a Hobby by Tami Whitted

"We feel good! Ah, we feel so good!"

Having the crowd chanting cheers such as this would have made anyone want to play basketball. This was one of the reasons that the members of the girl's JV basketball team played.

There were many other reasons why they joined the team. Beginning to play in the 8th grade, Sho (Shaulonda) Rittenhouse participated to keep in shape and because she enjoyed the

publicity. She felt that the class of '88 and '89 were "getting better yet!"

Rhonda Dame began to play in the 6th grade. She said, "I really enjoy playing basketball. It's one of my favorite hobbies." She also commented, "The crowd was great but there wasn't enough spectators to root us on like we would have liked."

Racheal Staats, a spectator felt that, "Atwater had a good JV team."



Left — "Let's get with it!" Coach Jantzen coaching a play to the team members while Rhonda Dame listens eagerly. Top — Pivot! Sho Rittenhouse sharply pivoting around her opponent and ready to shoot.

## 1985-1986 Basketball Season

Atwater	47	Turlock	18
Atwater	41	Merced	35
Atwater	54	Davis	16
Atwater	48	Downey	25
Atwater	64	Beyer	9
Atwater	59	Turlock	21
Atwater	41	Merced	37
Atwater	47	Davis	16
Atwater	56	Downey	14
Atwater	62	Beyer	9
Atwater	63	Turlock	27
Atwater	48	Merced	44
Atwater	58	Davis	47
Atwater	48	Downey	20
Atwater	59	Beyer	12

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## J.V. Soccer Team Member

Front Row — Marco Leon, Taft Aujero, Mike Brigham, John Livria, and Hyun Suk Kim. Middle Row — Chris Greer, Chris Cardy, David Weskamp, Paul Lencioni, Sean Leahman, and Scott Koehn. Top Row — Assist. Coach David Avalos, Robert Avalos, Martin Little, Jeremy Rahn, and Alex Cavillo.

## Only the Young by Heather Richards

"The freshmen were great contributors," commented Lenny Richards. The J.V. Soccer Team consisted of fifteen players. Six of them were sophomores and the rest were freshmen. Coach Thompson considered this a very young team.

The team had a strong mid-field and the defense and offense made great improvement.

Right — The heat is on. Sean Leahman receives a pass. Below right — Chris Cardy does a corner kick to set up a goal. Below far right — Boot it! Marco Leon charges for the ball, ready to kick.



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## 1985-86 J.V. Soccer

Atwater	1	Turlock	1
Atwater	3	Merced	2
Atwater	0	Davis	3
Atwater	0	Downey	0
Atwater	2	Beyer	1
Atwater	1	Turlock	1
Atwater	0	Merced	4
Atwater	4	Davis	5
Atwater	4	Downey	5
Atwater	0	Beyer	3
Atwater	1	Turlock	5
Atwater		Merced	
Atwater		Davis	
Atwater		Downey	
Atwater		Beyer	

CCC Record







## Hot Shots Make Friends by Stacy Newman

Bobby Arnes of the Freshmen Basketball Team said that he joined because, "It (basketball) is fun and you can meet more people." Bobby also said that you can meet other people from other teams.

Corey Phillips liked the excitement and said, "You never stop running and that is what makes it fun."

Top — Two points. #35 Bobby Arnes, #24 Damion Clyce, #22 Mike Schanze, and #43 Corey Phillips in on the play. Far left — The "giant" jump. #35 Bobby Arnes shoots for two. Left — Up up and away. #23 Philip Ruiz attempts a shot.

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## 1985-86 Freshmen Basketball

Atwater	72	Beyer	52
Atwater	64	Turlock	51
Atwater	44	Merced	54
Atwater	41	Davis	48
Atwater	62	Bowney	68
Atwater	55	Beyer	41
Atwater	55	Turlock	41
Atwater	56	Merced	58
Atwater	58	Davis	32
Atwater	54	Downey	77
Atwater	40	Beyer	37
Atwater	46	Turlock	34
Atwater		Merced	
Atwater		Davis	

CCC Record

## Freshmen Basketball Team Members

Front Row — Mike Bell, Kevin Chambers, and Craig Rinaldi. Middle Row — Mike Bega, Philip Ruiz, Damion Clyce, Ron Mariano, and Jesus Ochoa. Top Row — Will Whitten, Corey Phillips, Vic Berroy, Mike Schanze, Chip Hatton, and Coach Candelaria.



## Varsity Baseball Team Members

Front Row — Danny Dupont, Dave Guerrero, Philip Herschler, Reggie Boesch, Rick Keyes, and Manager; Carl D'Antonio. Middle row — James Velasquez, Kurt Miltenberger, Ross Turner, Eddie Bachman, Jeff Ball, Randy Shields, and Wayne Davis. Back row — Coach Wine, Hugh Gary, Jeff Harskamp, Paul O'Campo, John Kane, Steve Milani, Charles Havel, and Coach Brown.

## Into the Swing of Things by Terri Brown

The Falcon Varsity Baseball Team was definitely into the swing of things.

Nine players had returned from the successful Varsity Team of the year before.

The team was coached by Bill Brown and assisted by Coach Wine. They practiced various throwing, running, and catching drills at their practices to prepare them for their games.

They played their home games at Memorial Park for all their rowdy fans.

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Winding up. Paul O'Campo gets ready to throw the ball.







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Throw it fast! Kurt Miltenberger throws the ball to a base. Get that grounder! Danny Dupont lunges to get the ball.

## 1986 Varsity Baseball

Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer

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## Varsity Softball Team Members

Front — Eyleen Peterson, Linda Carlos, Cindy Stanford, Elaine Roberts, and Cathy Speaks. Back — Coach Garcia, Toni Zambrano, Dana Walters, Michele Rascon, and Robin Dame.

Right — Going for the grounder. Linda Carlos digs the ball up. Bottom left — Batter up. Robin Dame hits for a homer. Bottom right — Catch it. Dana Walters concentrates on a swiftly arriving ball.



## Six Old, the Rest New by Mila Hoban

Even though the Varsity girls softball team had only six returning players they still were strong in the C.C.C. With the advantage of having a young team they played harder to win their games.

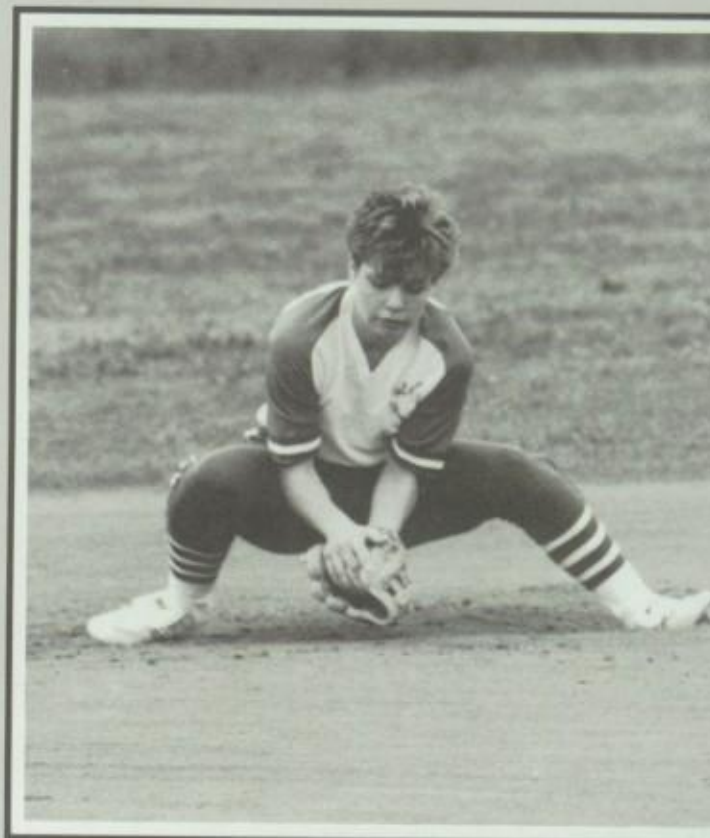
Their main disadvantage was the problem with some of the team members having bad grades and being in trouble. It really hurt the team when some of the girls couldn't play.

The toughest competition played was Davis.

### 1986 Varsity Softball

Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer

CCC Record







## Senior and Junior Powderpuff Team Members

Front — Coaches: Paul O'Campo, Robert Nunes, Eddie Bachman, Ferman Perez, Robert Wall, Jon Derr, Cliff Collins, and Javey Derr. Second row — Lisa Perez, Erin Trammel, Lori Dusin, Kathy Becker, Michelle Dempsey, Chrissy Bird, Maria Baldridge, Susan Krasko, Pamela Bernard, Dawn Munden, and Coach Ruben Colacion. Third Row — Addy Morauske, Lisa Walter, Kelly Ryckmen, Liz Reyes, Joanne Luciano, Gurinder Nijjar, Mila Hoban, Anna Rodriguez, Jaeda Dove, Crystal Harris, and Eyleen Peterson. Back row — Suzan Zanutto, Holly Brown, Michele Rascon, Althea Black, Shannon Johnson, Rhonda Paschall, Gretchen Brigaman, Stacy Wilkie, Julie Stovall, and Bobbie Cox.



Front — Heather Brummel, Kelli Flores, Nancy Smith, Wendy Mazuelos, Noelle Allen, Rory Crawford, Michelle Toconis, and Kim Wall. Row Two — Renee Hix, Amy Kamykowski, Mona Dacuyun, Tricia Hilliard, Sandy Stanley, Ann Quinn, Teri Hollis, Tanya Muniz, Twyla Gonzales, and Connie Crum. Third Row — Michelle Bowman, Debbie Mason, Gwenlynn Lanowy, Delores Hill, Pamela Lanowy, Janet Balch, Chris Speaks, and Annette Surdez. Fourth Row — Missy Dion, Crystal Langley, Gina Balestra, Christy deBoer, Samantha Wiley, Margret Kelly, Angie Grandov, Marianna Rodrigues, and Kathy Graham. Fifth Row — Sheri Thomas, April Dunster, Chrissy Bolin, Kim Cox, Kim Fuller, Shar Smith, Lisa Pisarcik, and Carleen Coutu. Back Row — Coaches: Charles Wright, Torin Johnson, Steve Rovig, and Todd Lemas.

Bottom left — Hard at work. Michelle Dumpsey and Kathy Becker working on Powderpuff techniques. Below — Organizing the team Reuben Colacion inspires his team with words of encouragement.



## Who's the Best?

by Mila Hoban

Girls on the football field? That's right, the guys aren't the only ones who were seen on the field.

During the month of April girls could be seen out on the football field practicing for the annual "Powder Puff" football game.

This was a game where the Senior girls and the Junior girls rivaled it out to see who was the best.

The guys didn't miss out on all the fun. They became coaches or rooted the girls on by being cheerleaders and dressing in a skirt and sweater.

After the Senior/Junior game the

annual Toga dance was held in the gym where everyone was dressed in their favorite sheet.

This game has become well known around the area, and other schools, like Merced have now started to follow the tradition started at AHS.

After the game between the Seniors and Juniors, the best players combined their talents and played in a game against Merced. Maybe in the future there will be games against other schools in the area as well.



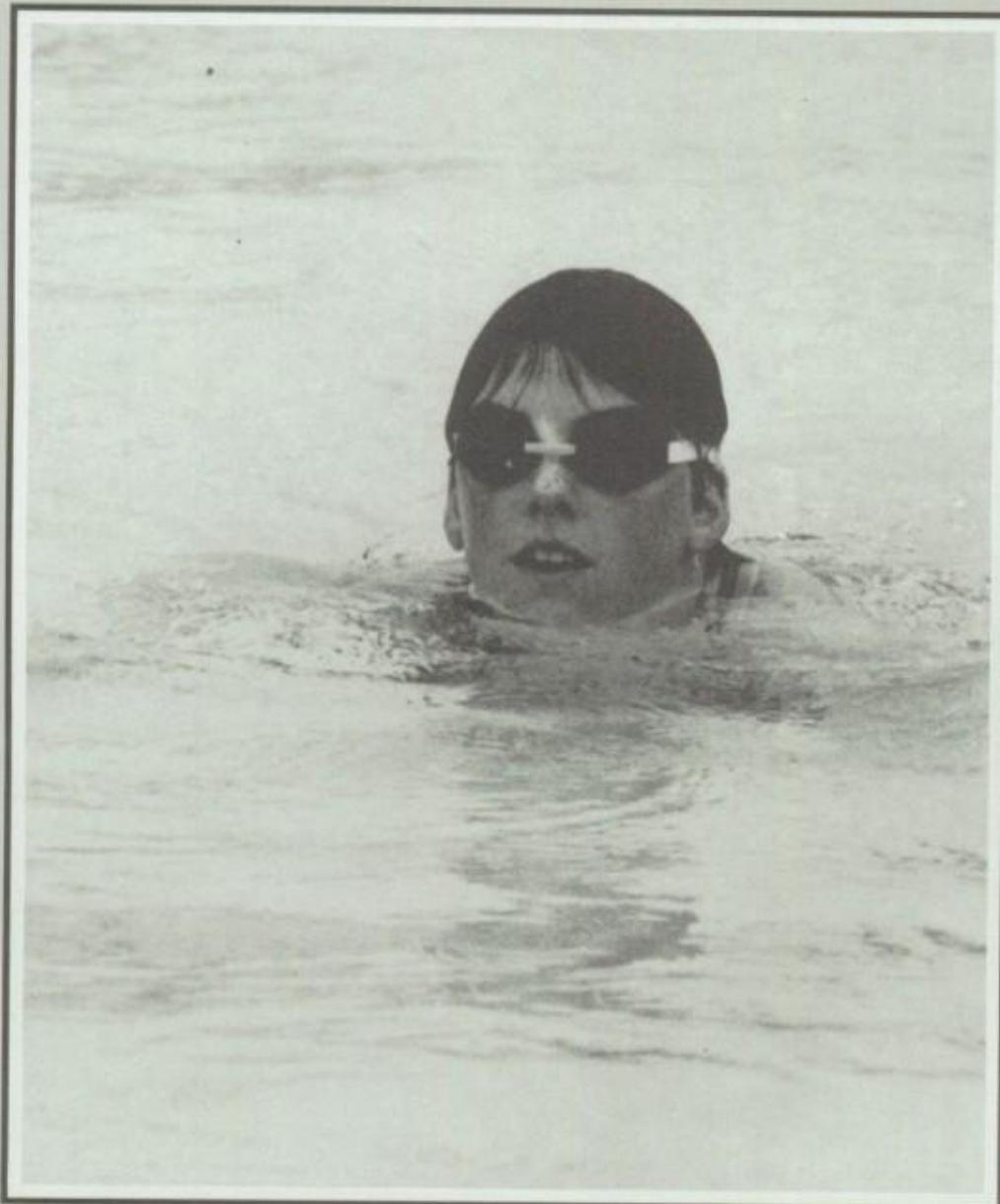
### 1986 Varsity Swimming

Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Davis

CCC Record

### Men's Varsity Swim Team Members

Front — David Bell, Juan Ramirez, Paul Heppner, Brian Powell, and Vance Spears. Back — Coach Weimer, Pat Habeck, Oliver Kesting, Dan McIlhatton, Clark Bird, and Coach Ross.



A powerful competitor. Lenora Grise finishes up her lap of breaststroke. Soaring through the air. Clark Bird makes his way into the water.



### Women's Varsity Swim Team Members

Front — Lenora Grise, Michelle Gambetta, Dawn Elder, Carolyn Troxell, and Hillary Ford. Back — Karen Howard, Coleen Smith, Liza Ozenbaugh, and Shannon Johnson.







### 1986 Junior Varsity Swimming

Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Davis

CCC Record

A dedicated swimmer. Oliver Kesting butterflies down the lane. The other way. Karen Howard finds a different way to finish her laps.

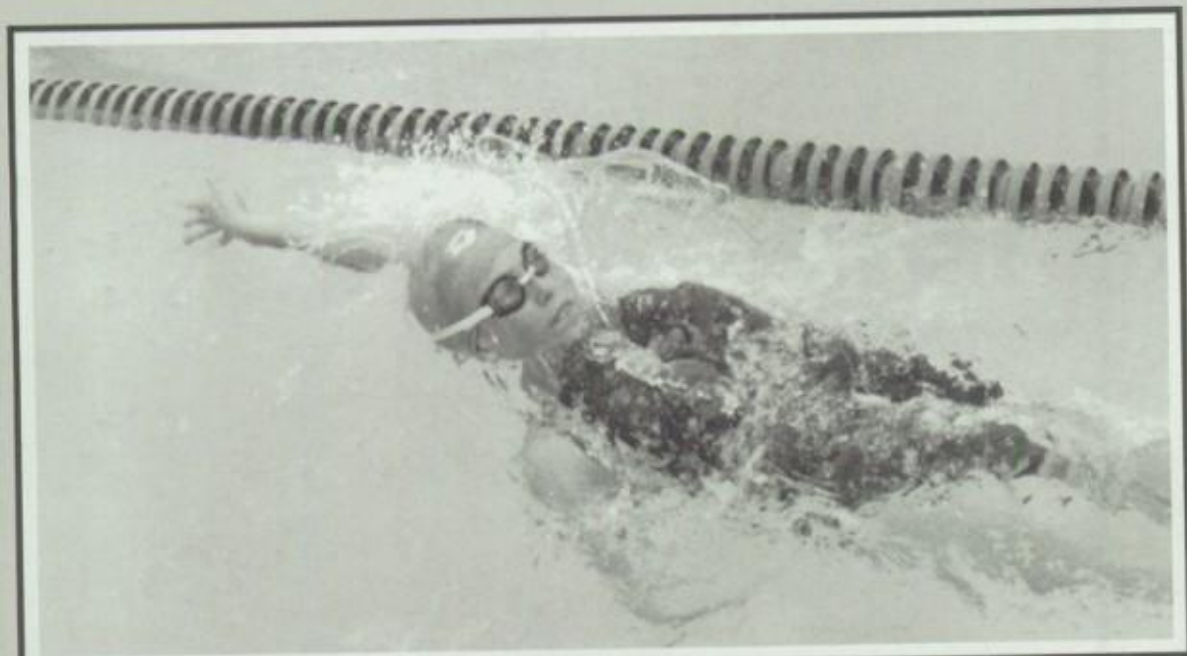


### Men's JV Swim Team Members

Front — Ivan Hitomi, Mike Brigman, Chris Miller, Greg Chin, and John Livria. Middle — Jeff Parsley, Chad Robinson, Joel Taylor, Matthew Hunt, Tony Lopez, and Mike Bega. Back — Coach Weimer, Russ Lawson, Robert Cook, Paul Wrighton, Andi DeWitt, Vernon Cook, and Coach Ross.

### The Wet Ones

by Missy Hoban



Improve the times, improve the standing team, and have fun doing it. These were the expectations of Roddy Svendsen, the coach of all four of Atwater's swimming teams.

Compared to their normal composition of one team, the girls ended up with a Varsity and a Frosh/Soph girl's team.

The season started officially March 1st, but some of the returning people had extra conditioning at Merced College. This helped in cutting their times.

"Endurance and speed are good, but the thing needed is desire because everyone can swim, no matter how slow, and have fun," remarked Karen Howard, a member of the girl's Varsity team.



### Women's JV Swim Team Members

Front — Checi Diekey, Christine Thompson, Tiffany Cresci, Trina Dutra, Debbie Pitchford, Angela Tristan, and Dena Rivas. Middle — Tiffany Thulien, Christina Esparza, Tracy Yount, Sandy Dutra, Amy Tanner, Mindy Coleman, Brenda Fogltance, and Shari Havel. Back — Coach Weiner, Michelle Wharton, Amy Thomson, Gina Balestra, Tamara Shamblin, Tammy Aykroyd, Gina Casso, Mila Hoban, and Coach Ross.



## Men's Track Team Members

Front — Alonzo Parawae, Danny Quintero, Glin Whitehead, John Smothers, Kitt Pilachai, Derrick Tigler, Bill Newby, Eric Tigler, Craig Rinaldi, Tim Newman, and Mike Cotter. Second Row — Kara Hall, Mike Casso, Damon Clyce, Robert Abung, Jeff Souza, Jeremy Rahn, Ken Williams, Jim Nabholz, Danny French, Jason Cleckler, Ernest Staten, Jemal Fields, and Trunky Dacuyan. Third Row — Coach Kalcevich, Sayf Munir, Scott Riise, Chris Lopez, Wayne Esau, Jay Ellis, Shawn Salone, Jack Ellis, Maurice Norman, Shawn Mims, Bruce Eason, Greg Autrand, and Coach Shimel. Fourth Row — Robert Wall, Cliff Collins, Eric Townsend, Gene Franks, Kyle Hearn, Ferman Perez, Charles Danuel, Charles Wright, Scott Musser, Sam Hunt, Kenny Dudley, and Dennis DeWitt. Back — Ron Casares, Rob Hill, Ferd Shiver, Craig Conway, Jason Porter, Roger Johnson, Ed Gossling, Duane Kamesch, Jim DiBartolo, and Mike Garcia.



On to the finish. Eric Townsend strides his way towards the finish line during the relay. Attempting the jump. Scott Musser just before straddling the high jump.



## Down the Stretch

by Kenny Dudley

The A.H.S. track team has seen many changes in its history, and this season it was in coaching. Shimel, a varsity football coach for a number of years, was the new head coach.

A member of his track team in high school and college, Shimel had Coaches Kalcevich, and Porth to assist the over 80 member team. Head Coach Shimel said that being head coach of a track team was "a great feeling that carries a lot of responsibility."

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## 1986 Track

Atwater  
Turlock  
Atwater  
Merced  
Atwater  
Davis  
Atwater  
Downey  
Atwater  
Beyer  
CCC  
Record

## Women's Track Team Members

Front — Leslie Rinaldi, Andrea Gier, Melanie Hall, Apryl Rodgers, Kim Higgins, and Beke Gonzalez. Middle — Kelli Flores, Tasha Williams, Sonya Staten, Turquoise Hubble, Rashona Frasier, Kisha Hubble, Becky Smith, and Shannon Kepschull. Back — Kim Wall, Belinda Jackson, Carol Moore, Melissa Galatro, Lisa Wade, Ginger Connolly, Sonia Clark, Danielle Mims, and Michelle Toconis.







## Men's Varsity Tennis Team Members

Front — Brian Janes, John Finkbeiner, Javey Derr, David Calvillo, and John Grondalski. Back — Coach Bell, Jon Derr, Scott Mozier, Antonio Tydingco, and Rick Dietz.

## Backhanding in Stride by Tami Whitted

Taking the year in stride, the tennis team hit the courts hard.

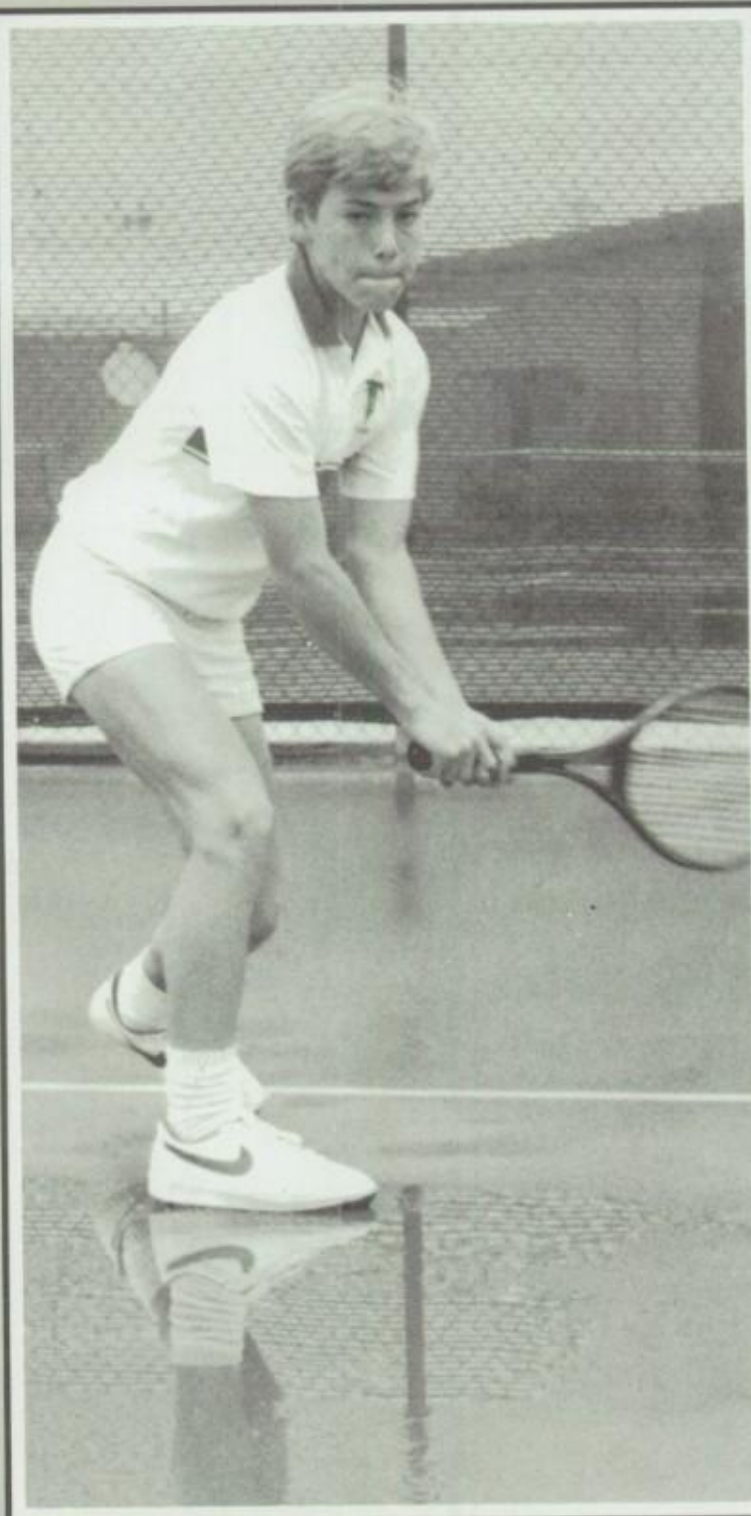
Many of the team members had played for many years. Freshman Chris Cottrell practiced practically every day. He played for five years before entering high school.

J.V. Coach Jantzen felt very strongly toward the team. "We had plenty of depth and new talent. It was good to see freshmen in the tennis program."

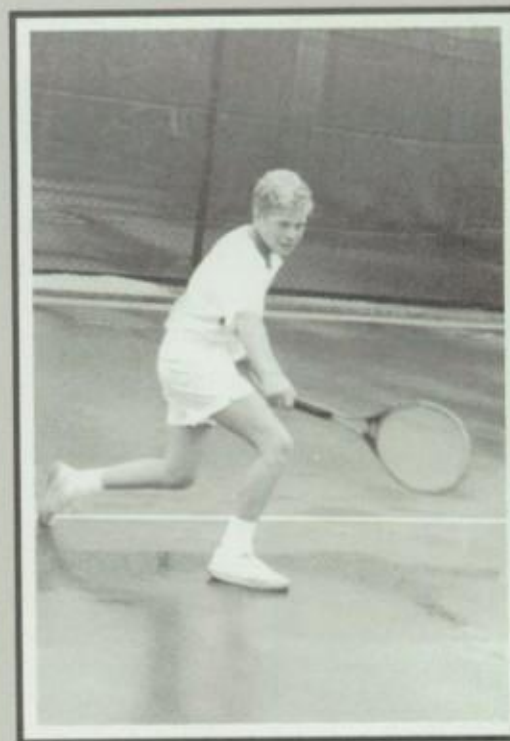
### 1986 Tennis

Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
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Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis

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Left — Concentration. Mike Bell finds that to be the key to the game of tennis. Above — Show us your technique! Tony Tydingco demonstrates a back hand.



Good hit! Brett Reed sends it flying over the net.

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## Men's JV Tennis Team Members

Front — Jaime Ochoa, Chris Cottrell, Brett Reed, Mike Bell, Stephen Herland, and Chris Greer. Middle — Brian Saffold, Tim Camp, Chris Cardey, Kevin Chambers,

Peter Choi, Scott Koehn, and Bill Deardorff. Back — (coach) Jantzen, Pat Gallagher, Philip Ruiz, Eric Northern, Chris Heller, Jamie Camp, and Matt Flanagan.





## P.G.A. Hopefuls by John Mason

A golf ball whizzes through the air as a silenced crowd roars their approval. A.T.V. camera zooms in on the golfer who had just parred off. On his shirt was the emblem of a Falcon. As the camera became focused you could see the words "Atwater High Golf Team."

Perhaps this was what Varsity team member Tom Fullerton had in mind when he said, "We'll make a name for ourselves this year." He also stated that they have improved greatly in team competition.

Middle right — Teeing off. Charles Post getting ready to tee off. Right — Driving. Todd Jezek making the swing count. Top right — Setting up. George Myers swings for an ace.

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### 1986 Golf

Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey

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### Golf Team Members

Front — Karen Dickey, Daniel Smith, Louie Kingston, George Myers, and Paul Stone. Back — Jim Kauth, Tom Fullerton, Charles Post, Aaron Heppner, Steve Rovig, Todd Jezek, Scott Chatham and Coach Rovig.







## Time for More Experience by Karen Petersen

For the J.V. Softball team there was a new outlook on becoming league champions during the season.

The team had a new coach, Miss Suffecol. With a scholarship from the University of Kansas for playing softball and the experience of coaching the 1985 C.C.C. Champs, Merced, Coach Suffecol influenced the AHS J.V. Softball team.

### JV Softball Team Members

Front — Yvette Quezada, Tracy Penrod, Tracy Blum, and Cheryl Hilliard. Middle — Rhonda Dame, Angela Hix, Mary Freitas, Jackie Cota, Michelle Pettes, and Monica Wilson. Back — Cindy Chavez, Danielle Gaines, Sherry Stanke, Melissa Verra, Susan Milani, Gina Piper. Beth Norman, and Dawn Bachman.



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### 1986 Junior Varsity Softball

Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer

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Bottom left — Fall in. Coach Suffecool checks her roster sheet for players attending practice. Top — Here it comes! Mary Freitas sets up for the toss to first base. Left — Great catch. Rhonda Dame catches the toss at first base.





## JV Baseball Team Members

Front Row — Mike Sanchez, David Pisacco, Vic Calip, and Mark Derber. Middle Row — Sean Watts, Rusty Penrod, Paul Perry, Mario Cruz, and Martin Hernandez. Back Row — Coach George Sziraki, Jason Many, Lance Jackson, Steve Whitaker, Ron Cockrum, and Mike Dotson.

### Baseball Fever by Andrea Lewis

"... as a coaching staff (we) are very optimistic," stated Coach Sziraki. "We started off with a rough practice session because most of our players will still be in Basketball or had to go up to Varsity and play because of the shortage," he continued.

"If the practice is any indication, the players really have their minds on the game." This concentration will mean a tough opponent for the opposing teams in the race for the CCC title, quoted Coach Sziraki.

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### 1986 Junior Varsity Baseball

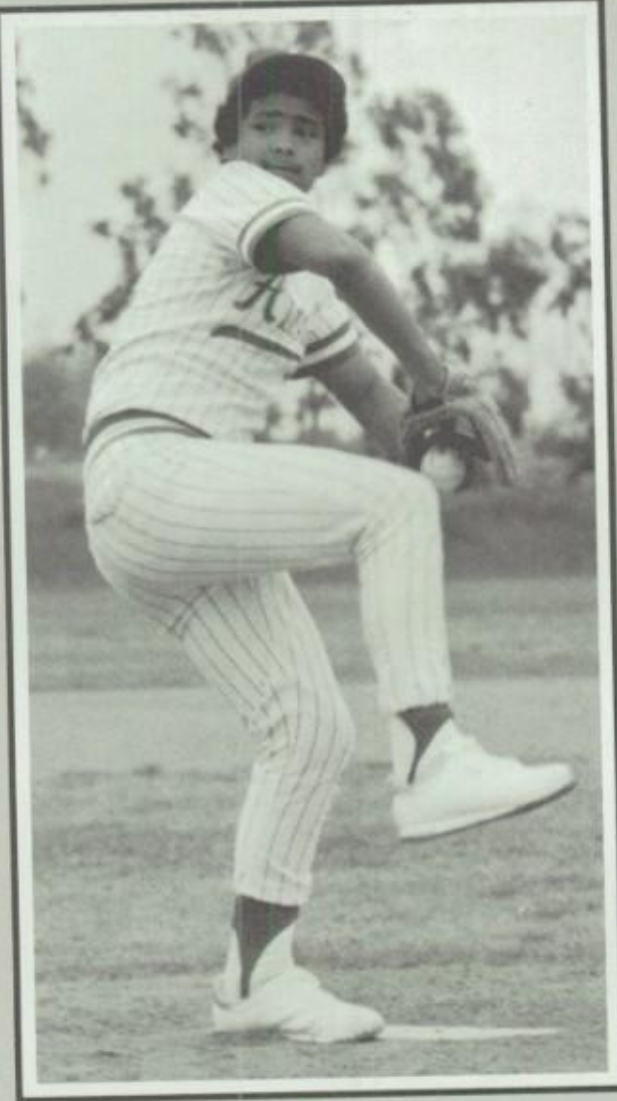
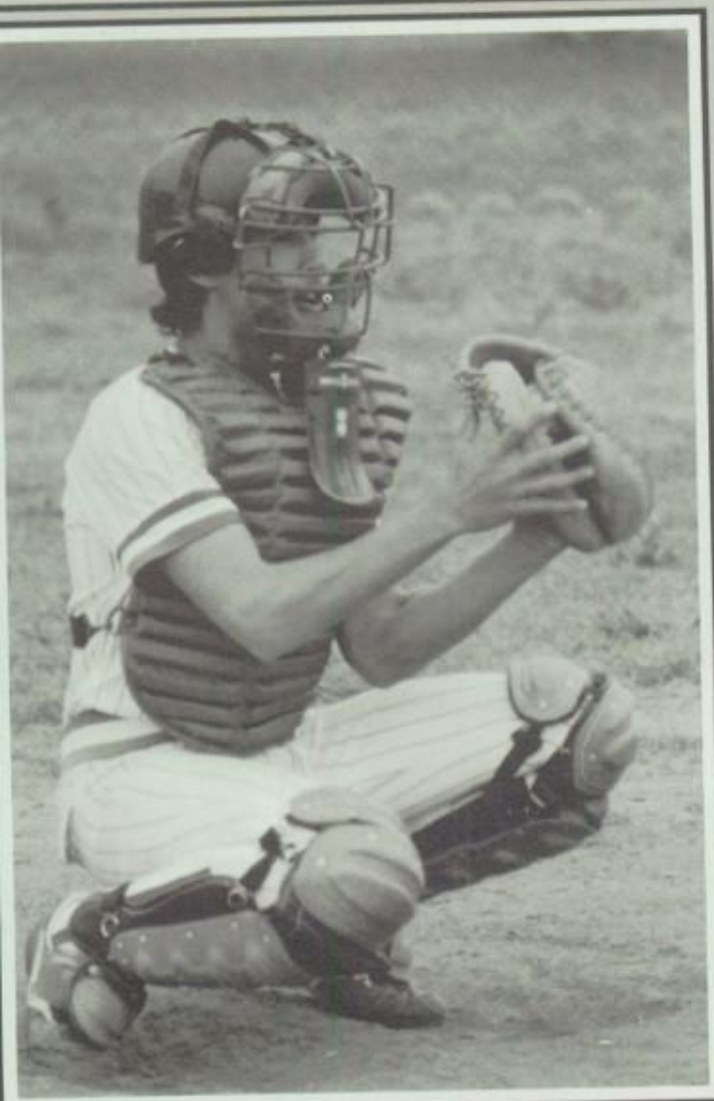
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CCC Record



Above right — A careful eye. Paul Perry keeps a careful eye on a fly ball. Above far right — Stretching for the out. Rusty Penrod is ready for the tag at the base. Right — Grace and speed. Mark Derber hurtles the ball to the catcher.





## 1986 Freshman Baseball

Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer
Atwater	Turlock
Atwater	Merced
Atwater	Davis
Atwater	Downey
Atwater	Beyer

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Far left — Safe and sound. Robert Gonzales has control at home. Left — Fire away. George Barajas sends a hot one home.

## Freshman Baseball Team Members

Front Row — Jim Mason, Mark Sanchez, Jesus Ochoa, Geroge Barajas, Ray Smyth, and Oscar Calderon. Second Row — Eric Flores, Oscar Reyes, Bobby Rankin, Robert Gonzales, Tony Vierra, David Weskamp, Sean Leahman, and Darren Francis. Back Row — Coach Abraham, Robert Avalos, Sean Salveson, Jason Wilson, Eric Hixon, Cody Peadon, Corey Phillips, Todd Miller, and manager Cheryl Hilliard.

Bottom left — Scoop it up. Tony Vierra has control of this grounder!



## Freshman Hit the Field by Brenda Callahan

Two and a half weeks in the mud started off the season for the Freshman Baseball Team.

Coach Abraham had been working the team hard to narrow it down to the players that remained on the team.

Third baseman of the team, Eric Hixson said, "The

team needs a lot of work." The team got this extra work by playing scrimmage games, the first of which was on Feb. 22, and lasted five hours.

The official season for the team started on March 17 with the Falcons at Turlock.







# ACADEMICS

## **The Evaluation Calculation by Kelly Marie Kepschull**

Once every six years the Accrediting Commission for Schools of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges comes to Atwater High School.

There are several reasons for this. First, to foster academic excellence in elementary and secondary schools. Second, to encourage school improvement through a process of continuous self-study evaluation. Next, as a means of ensuring the school and its public that the school

has clearly defined its educational goals and has established an environment in which it can be expected to achieve these goals. And finally, to further assure the public that the school is accomplishing these goals and can be expected to continue to do so.

The Accrediting Commission was headed by Mr. Benjamin Reddish. Donna Engelstad, one of the teachers at Atwater High School, assisted him. The seven member team was at the school March 10, through March 12.









Top — Study for success!!! Elizabeth Soto, Mrs. Girolamo, Michelle Dempsey, Scott Riise, Scott Mozier, Gretchen Brigaman, Hilary Ford, Niki Davies, and Erin Trammel are engrossed in their work. Bottom — Looking over their notes. Gretchen Brigaman, Elizabeth Soto, Scott Riise, Scott Mozier, and Michelle Dempsey get ready for competition.



Right — The pride of Atwater High. Trammel, Hilary Ford, Niki Davies, S. Mozier, Gretchen Brigaman, Michelle Dempsey, and Elizabeth Soto display their medals.



# Academic Decathlon

## The "Brainstorm" of Atwater High



by Terry Brown

"Academics and Athletics with pride and perfection" is the Atwater motto. The Academic Decathlon took care of a major portion of the academic part of that.

The Decathlon was an organization, advised by Mrs. Girolamo, for students who excelled academically. It was also for students who didn't try as hard as they could in school, but had a high I.Q.

There were 3 levels of competi-

tion. Each level participated in contests.

There was the Varsity Level for C averages and below, the Scholastic Level for B and A students, and the Honor Level for MM and A+ students.

There were ten events, 9 of those which the whole team competed in. These events were Speech, Essay, Interview, History, Math, Science, Economics, Fine Arts, and English.

The team consisted of 6 members

and 3 alternates. Only the 6 team members could compete in the last competition, Super Quiz. The Super Quiz was a written quiz and a speech on a certain topic which for this last year was Immigration.

These students worked hard to study for these events. They took time during the week to attend a special class to learn the skills necessary. There were written quizzes given in each contest and the winners received medals.





## Drastic Changes in P.E. by Sean Collins

Marching in side by side with restriction of smoking privileges, tougher academic requirements and harsher punishments for infractions of rules, came a rash of new changes in the P.E. department.

One of them, the new dress code, outraged more than a few students. "It, (the dress code) is stupid! You should be able to wear what you want to wear," said April Borba, freshman. The dress code is a component of MUHSD's new program "Fitness for Life;" a program designed to get teenagers motivated towards fitness.

A change which appears more popular with students is the switch from three years of P.E. to two. "The board voted to drop the requirement from three to two years to open up electives," said the P.E. department's new head, Miss Chiara. To lure juniors and seniors into choosing P.E. as an elective, the department has offered more leisure time sports such as bowling, archery, weight-training,

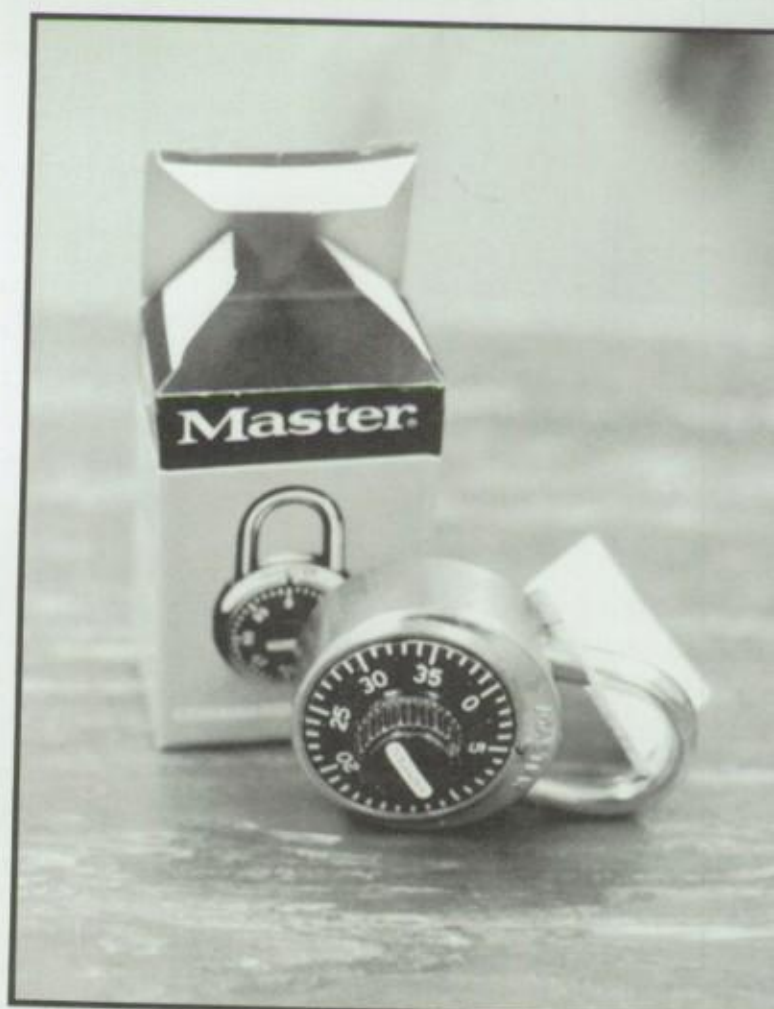
and square-dancing. The new sports, coached by Miss Chiara, are coed.

The new lock policy, which has required students to supply their own locks, was enthusiastically supported by members of the P.E. department. "Best thing that's happened here in 28 years," said Coach Oneto. "We just don't have the money to supply students with locks."

Miss Chiara thought that the lock requirement would give students more responsibility for their clothing and that students, "feel that their possessions are more secure."

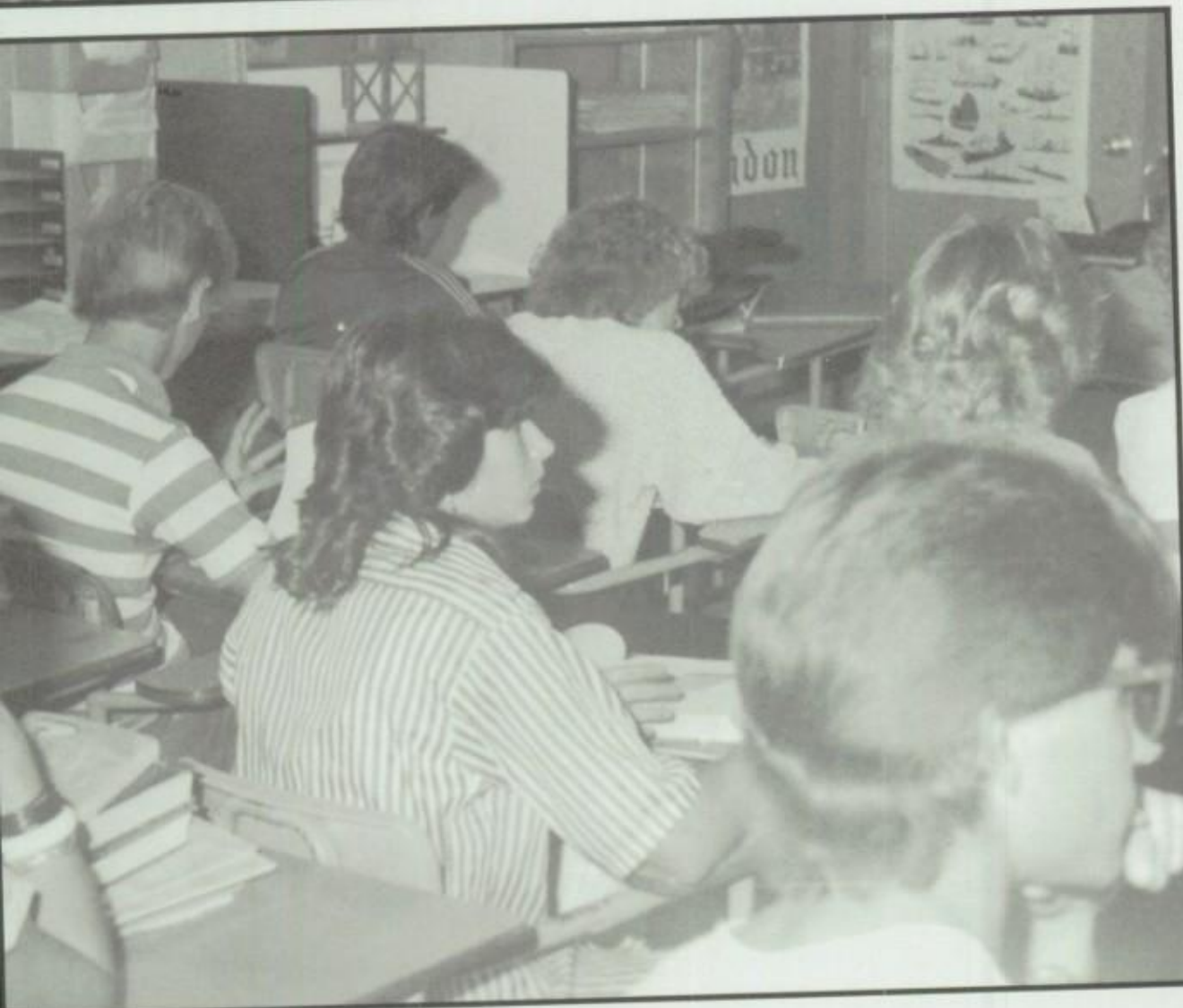
Mr. Honey, vice principal and Student Body Office organizer, was not quite as happy about the locks. The SBO ordered 600 of them and as of September had sold only 100, which left them in the hole \$1,450. "It'll take us five years to unload all these locks," Honey said.

Still in the works was a plan that would make showering mandatory and a policy requiring male students to wear jockstraps or other restrain-



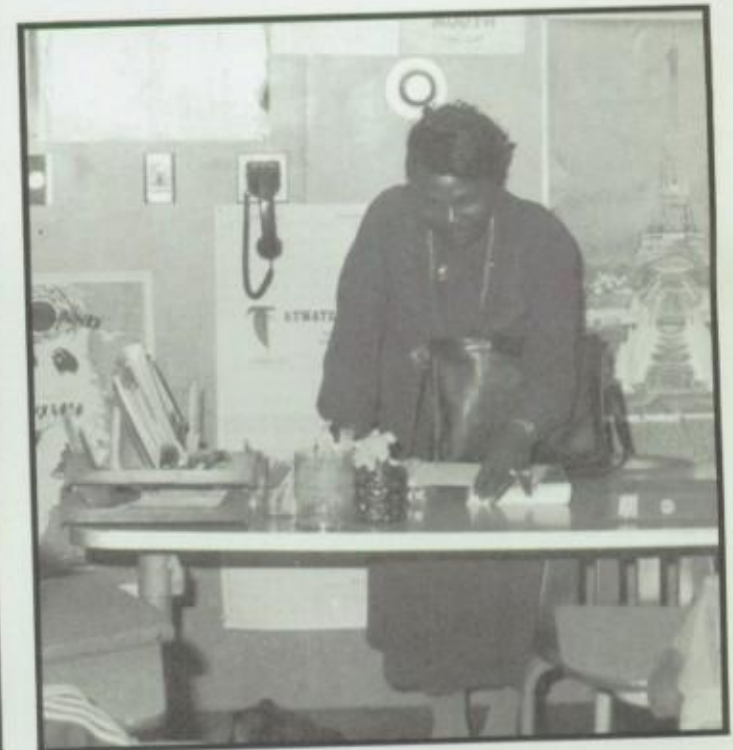
Men's locker room. A variety of locks now protect their belongings. The right combo. Many students purchase combination locks at the SBO.





Detention hall. Mrs. Dolores Maples supervises students in detention hall.

Photos by David Castillo.



**"You have the right to remain silent . . ."**

**by David Castillo**

Are you bored? Don't have anything to do after school? Then just get one more tardy or disrupt the class one more time and you will.

From 2:30 till 3:30 detention was held in room 120. It was run by Mrs. Maples and she'd been doing it for about 5 years.

Maples explained that, "The rules of detention are strictly enforced. There should be no talking, verbal or note passing. No sleeping. No eating. All students should have work to do when they come to detention. It is considered a study hall not a social hall. If any of the students break any of the rules, they are expelled from the detention hall without receiving

any credit. They are also given an extra detention for being expelled."

"I was asked on several occasions to run the detention hall by another teacher who was in charge of it at the time. Finally, the teacher decided he didn't want to do it anymore. He asked me if I'd be interested in taking it over. I said, 'Yes,' because it meant an extra bonus in money and I'm usually here at school doing my paperwork any way. So, I thought why not?"

That's how Mrs. Maples got her job, but she really did enjoy it. In fact, she sometimes found detention to be her best class of the day.

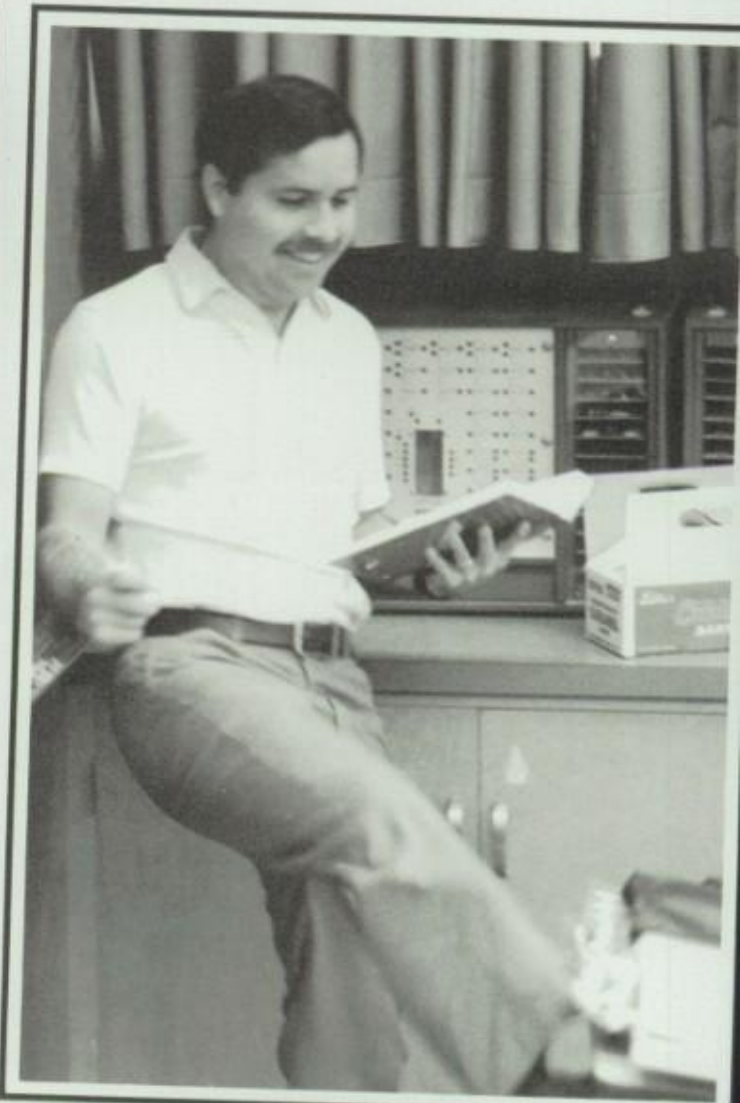
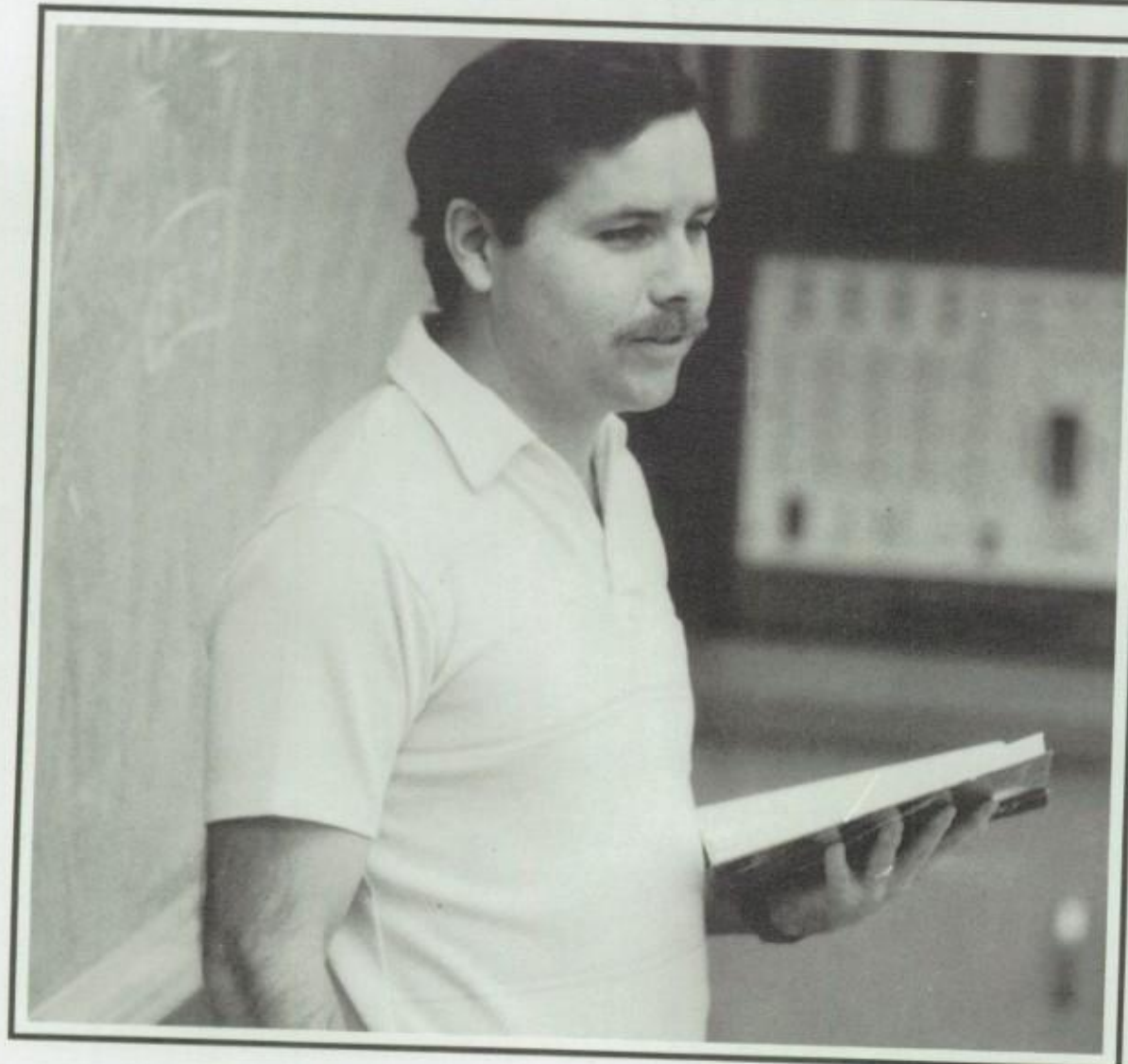
It seemed obvious that since Mrs. Maples was in charge of detention there would be no problem between her and her students. "Quite often I have passed students saying, 'There's

that mean lady in charge of detention.' Or sometimes when students know that they are going to be my students for that year they'll say, 'Oh no! She's in charge of detention.' But basically, I think the students realize they are given detention because of some rule they have not been faithful to."

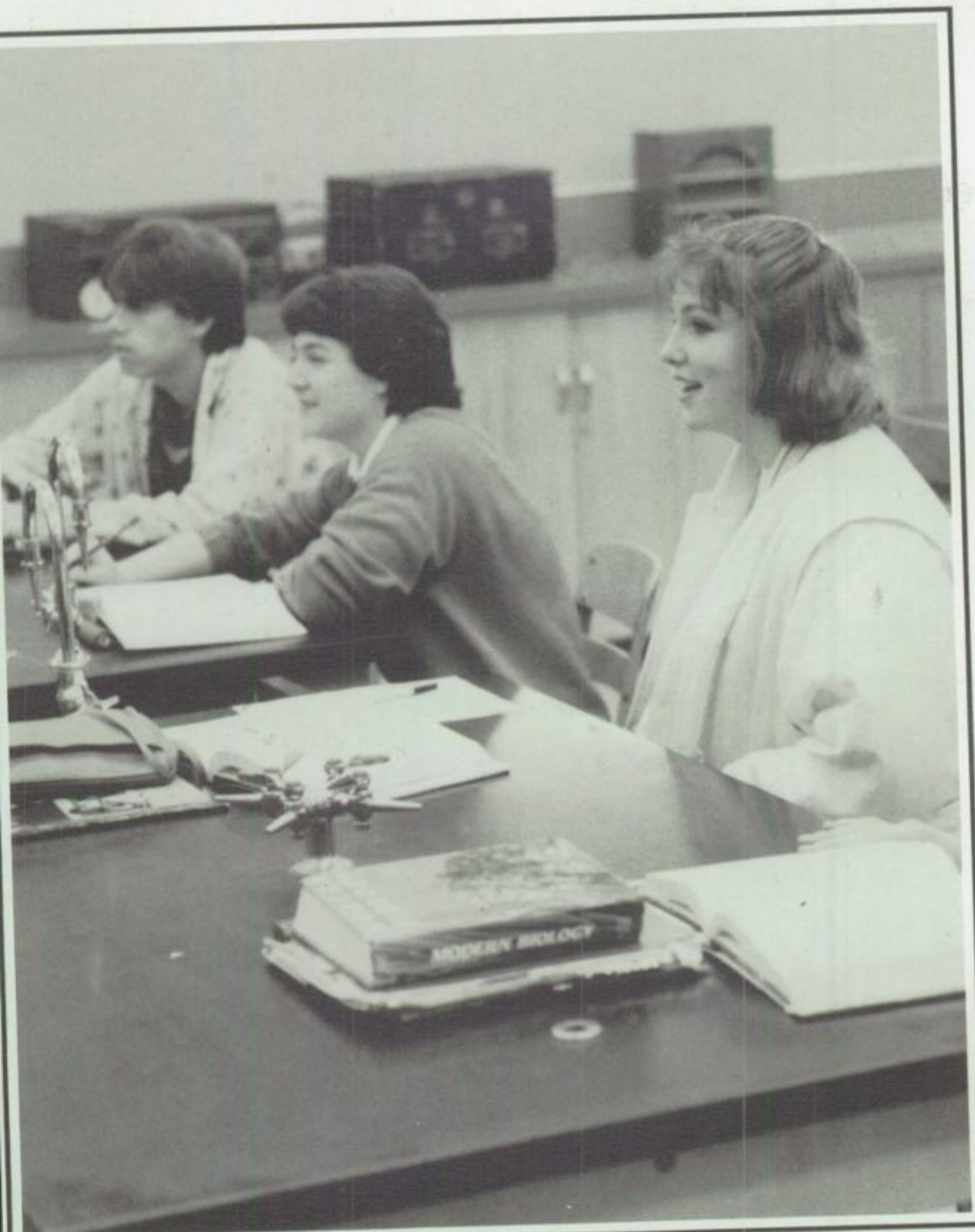
It was not just the so called "partiers" who got detention, but also the athletes and academic achievers. Students received detentions not just for their behavior but also for tardies and disruption.

Mrs. Maples was in charge of something which no one likes, but she was never really given a bad time. She said, "We really are trying to run what we call 'a good study hall.'"







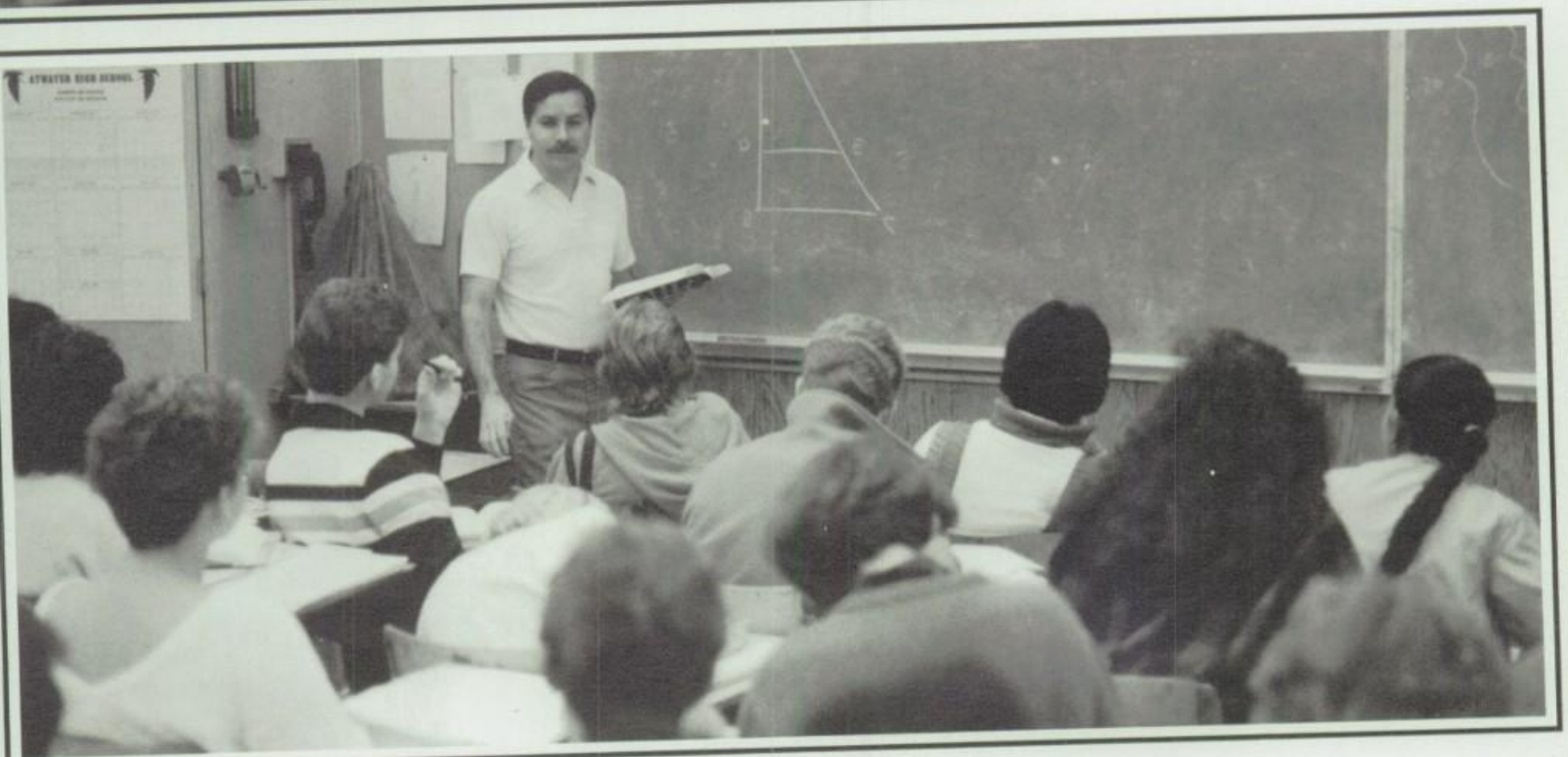


## Weird Science by Robert Cook

Joker Jane and Joker Joe helped out Mr. Withers' classes. Whenever the class really didn't understand something, Jane and Joe were drawn on the board. Always drawn in colored chalk, they helped to explain what was going on. These two funny characters often went surfing to show what was going on.

Mr. Withers also showed his class the amazing flying wire. By using a magnet and electricity he would make the wire jump. Boiling water in a paper cup was also one of the amazing tricks that Mr. Withers showed his class.

There has always been a tradition for amazing and weird science projects. For instance, in 1979 an Academic Biology class was studying the effect of sugar on hyperness and found the fertility rate to increase when the amount of sugar was increased. Mr. Berquest joked that, "If you don't want to get pregnant, don't eat sugar."



Above — Joker Jane absent. If a problem arises she will be near. Top — How interesting. The class shows interest in the lesson.



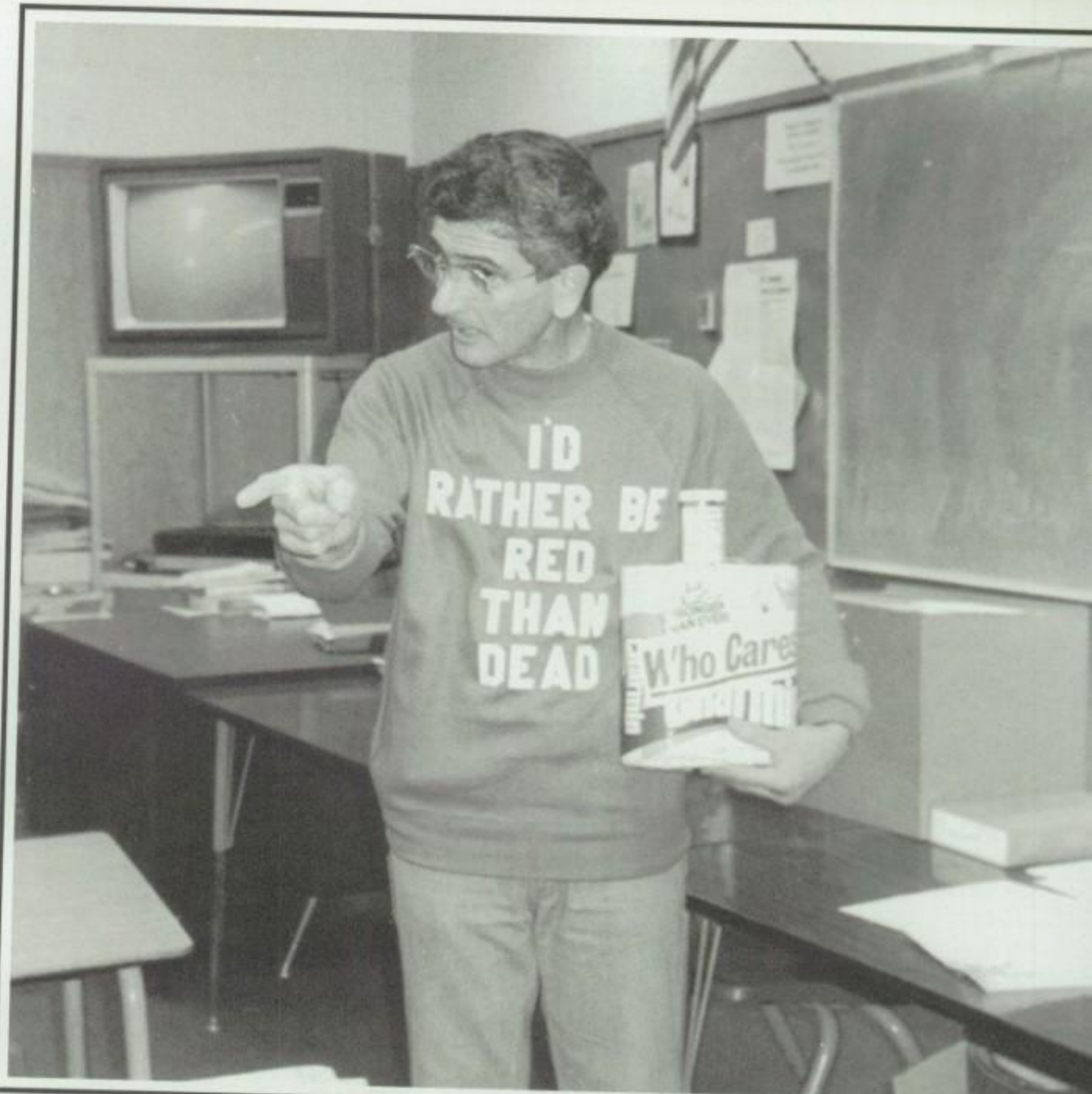
## "Better Red Than Dead" by Kelly Marie Kepschull

His philosophy on life was, "Who cares?" and his motto, "Better red than dead." He loved to say, "Seriously!"

Ask any of his students and you'll learn that Mr. Jay Jolosky was a very involved and emotional teacher. Whether it was the study of Adam Smith or the fact that money is not backed by precious metals, he strived very hard to make his students understand. If that meant jumping up and down, pacing through the isles, or rolling on the floor, "Who cares?"

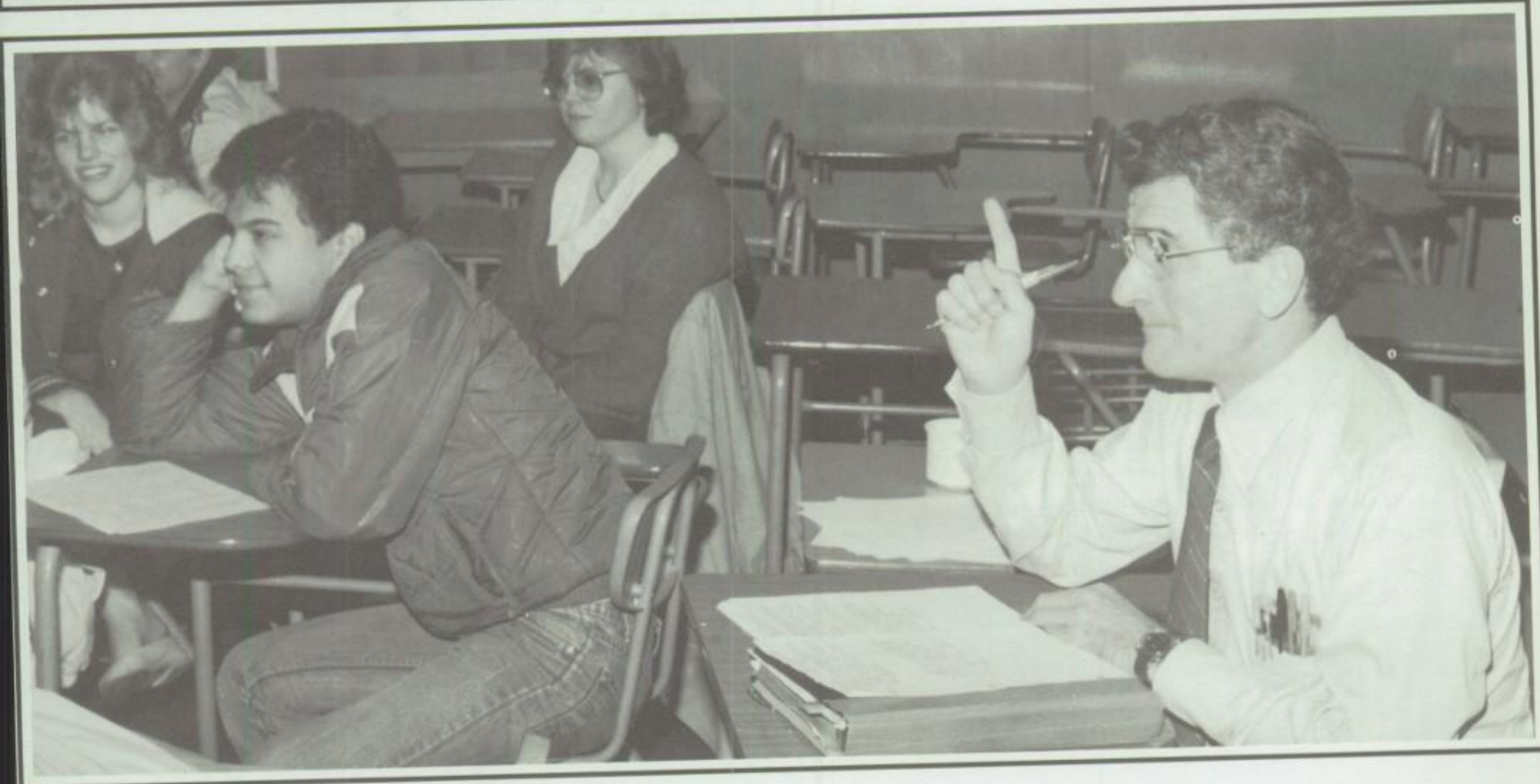
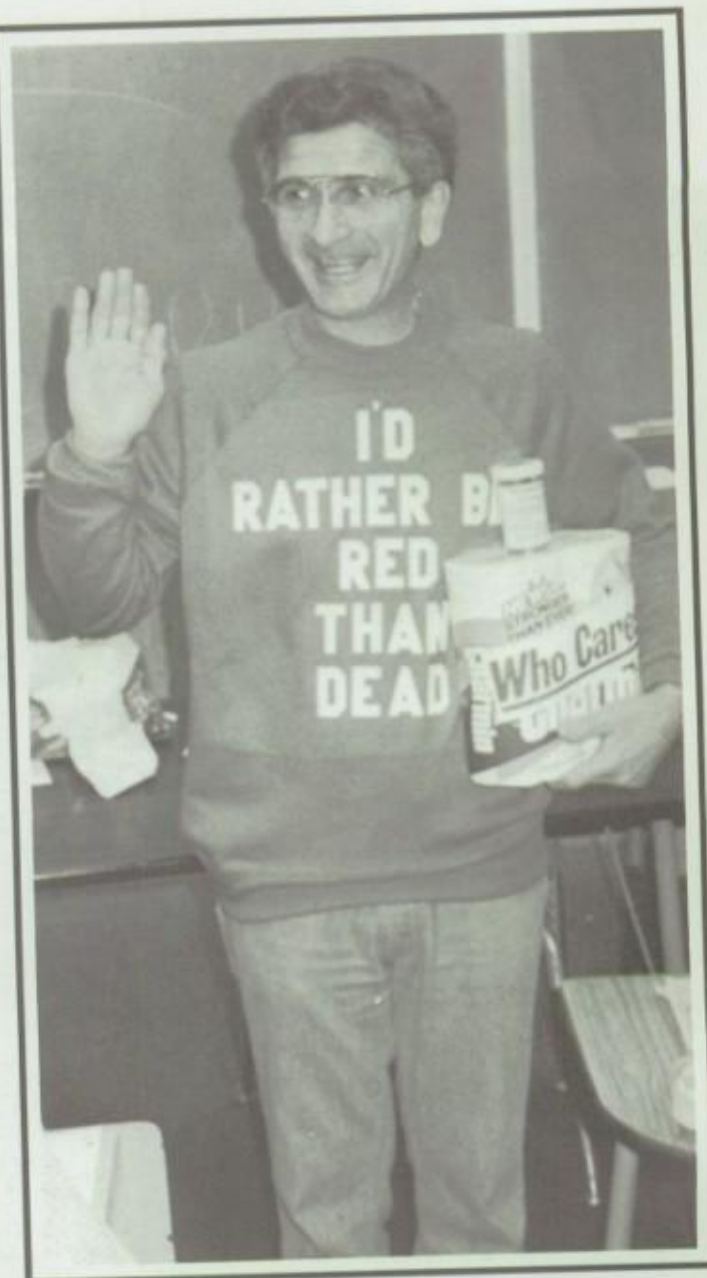
"I feel Mr. Jolosky is a good teacher because he knows how to get along with his students and he cares about each of them as individuals. His jovial attitude makes learning a better experience," said senior Melissa Roberts. When asked about her likes and dislikes she continued, "I like the class because I can relax in it. I feel comfortable knowing that if I'm confused about something he will keep going over it until I understand. What I don't like is the subject itself." Most of his students agreed.

Although he missed the first four weeks of school due to problems with his back he quickly made up for lost time. Focus was placed on economic theory and application rather than the trivial aspects of the subject. This allowed Mr. Jolosky to cover a broader area and concentrate on the places where in depth study was needed.



Top — Proving a point. Mr. Jay Jolosky emphasizes an aspect of banking. Above — Close attention. Maria Baldrige, Ronda Chandler, and Brian Aranda watch "The Missiles of October," a dramatization of the Cuban missile crisis.





Top left — Number two. Mr. Jolosky gives an answer as Cindy Stanford works on an assignment. Top right — Merry Christmas. Mr. Jolosky shows off his presents. Above — Agreeing with something. Anna Green, Timo Kontio, Brian Aranda, Ronda Connolly, and Mr. Jolosky watch a movie.

Photos of Mr. Jolosky by Gretchen Brigaman.





### Expansion Plans in the Future

Perhaps M.U.H.S.D. (Merced Union High School District) did not buy enough land when it first started building schools. Now when they need more land and they don't have the property to expand on.

"There is a total of seven mobile classrooms already, and we are moving in more every so often to lighten the load of this year's students, but there is still the problem of next

year's students," stated Mr. G. Chastain, Merced's District Office Director of Business Services.

According to Mr. Chastain the Board of Trustees do plan to build a new school but, they have not yet begun to seriously discuss the means or the location of the facility.

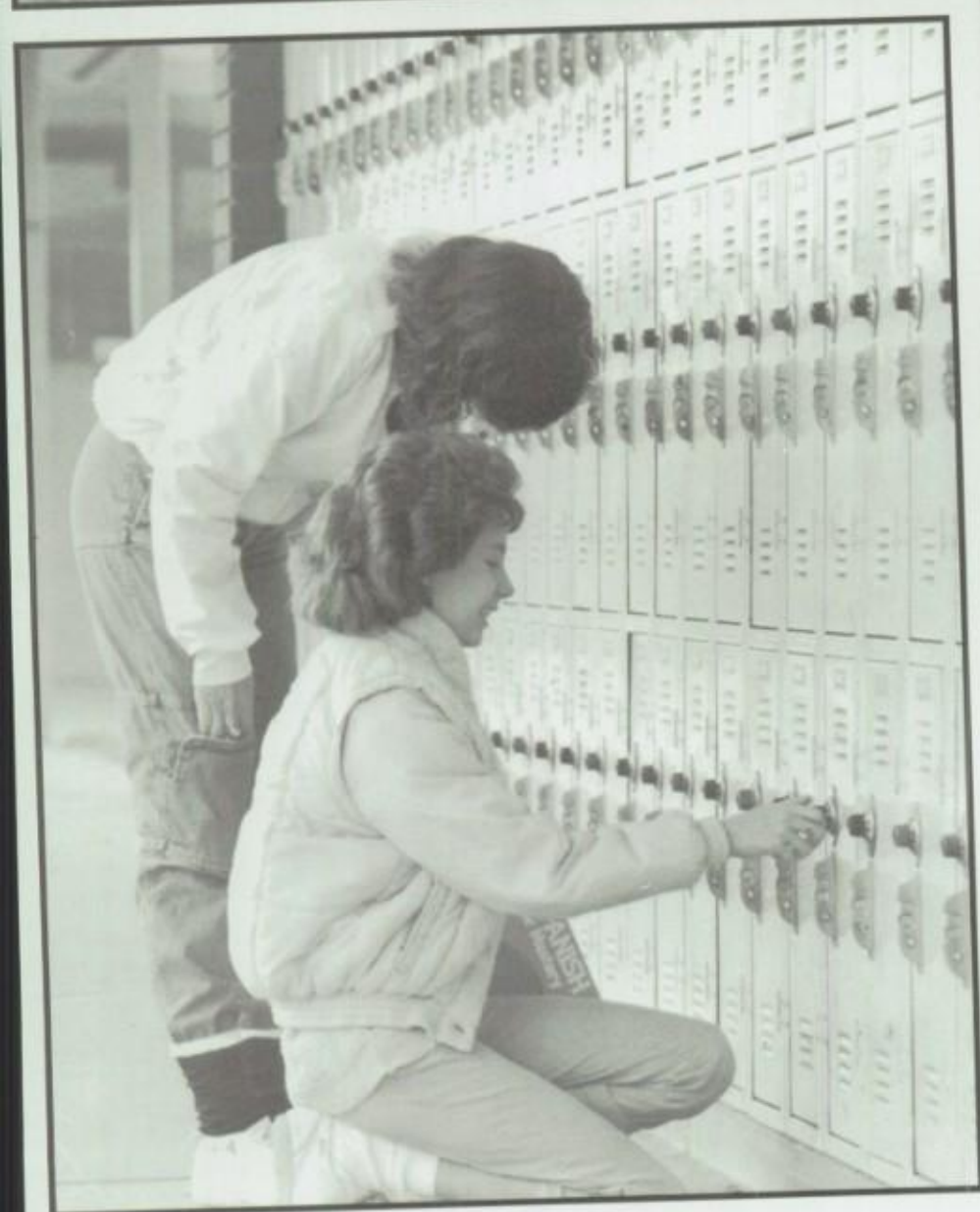
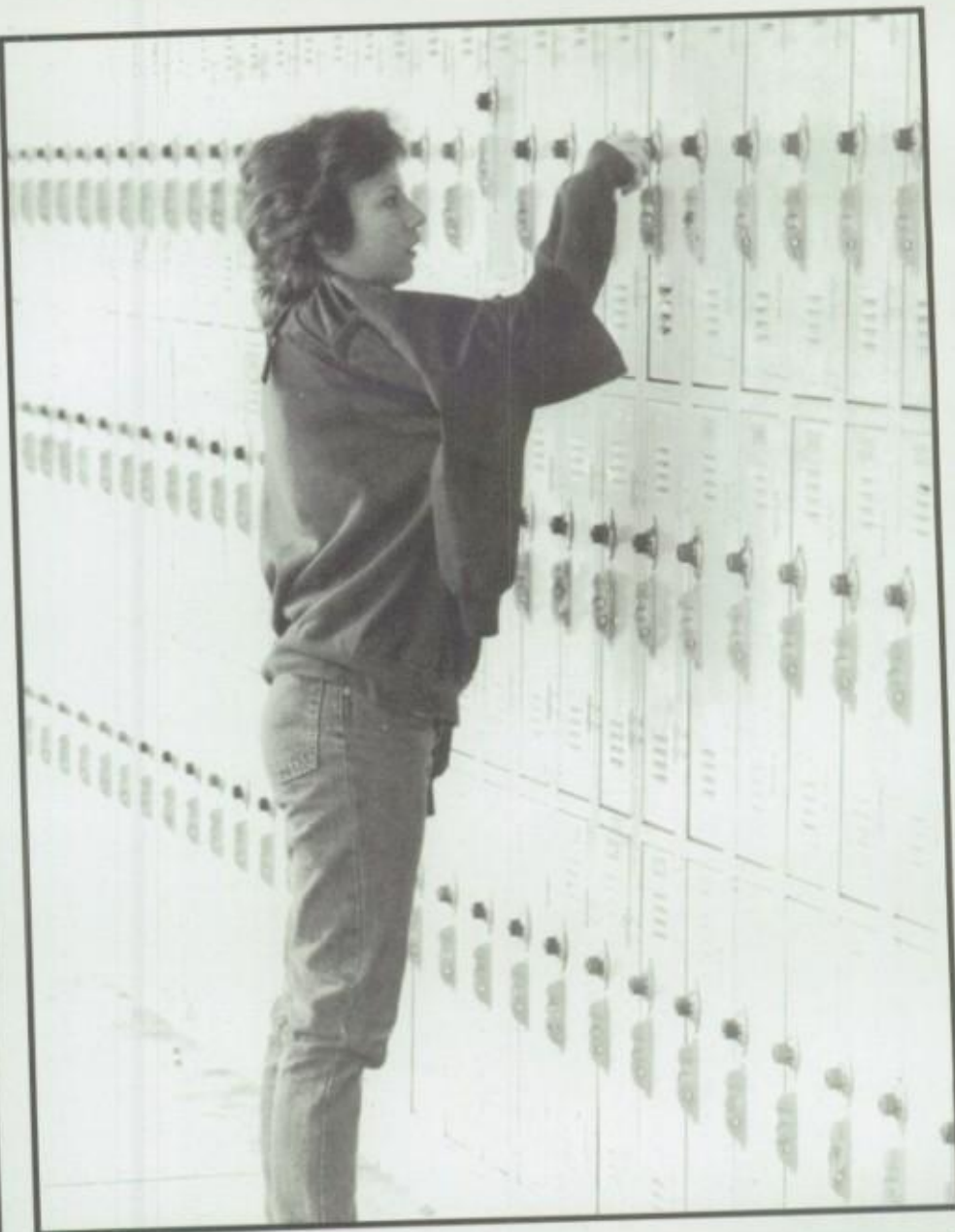
With all the upcoming students, the high schools will be over populated by about two hundred students.

by Andrea Lewis

Next year they plan to move in more mobile classrooms in Merced as well as at Atwater.

In the following years, there will be a new high school, a new rival. But in the meanwhile people will just have to deal with the over population problem especially with the freshmen class.





Top left — Between classes. Beth Nordman reaches into her locker to get books for her next class. Bottom left — The right touch. Connie Gasper trying to open her locker with the help of Sheila Borba. Bottom right — Time's almost up! Lisa Perez is rushing off to her next destination. Top right — New combination. Cathy Atkinson standing with a jacket on backwards trying to open her locker.





## It's the Law

by Steven W. McCarthy

As of January 1, a new law went into effect. The new law was about seatbelts. The law stated that, "All people in a vehicle, equipped with seatbelts shall wear a seatbelt." I guess High School buses weren't considered vehicles.

Joe Meyer said, "It's the law, so I really feel they should put them on the buses. What happens when the bus is involved in an accident? We could get injured or maybe even killed!"

Eric Hixson stated, "If it's the law, they should put them on the buses. After all, student safety is their priority."

Eric Flores replied, "I think the law stinks. I wouldn't wear one even if my life supposedly, relies on it. They don't save your life."

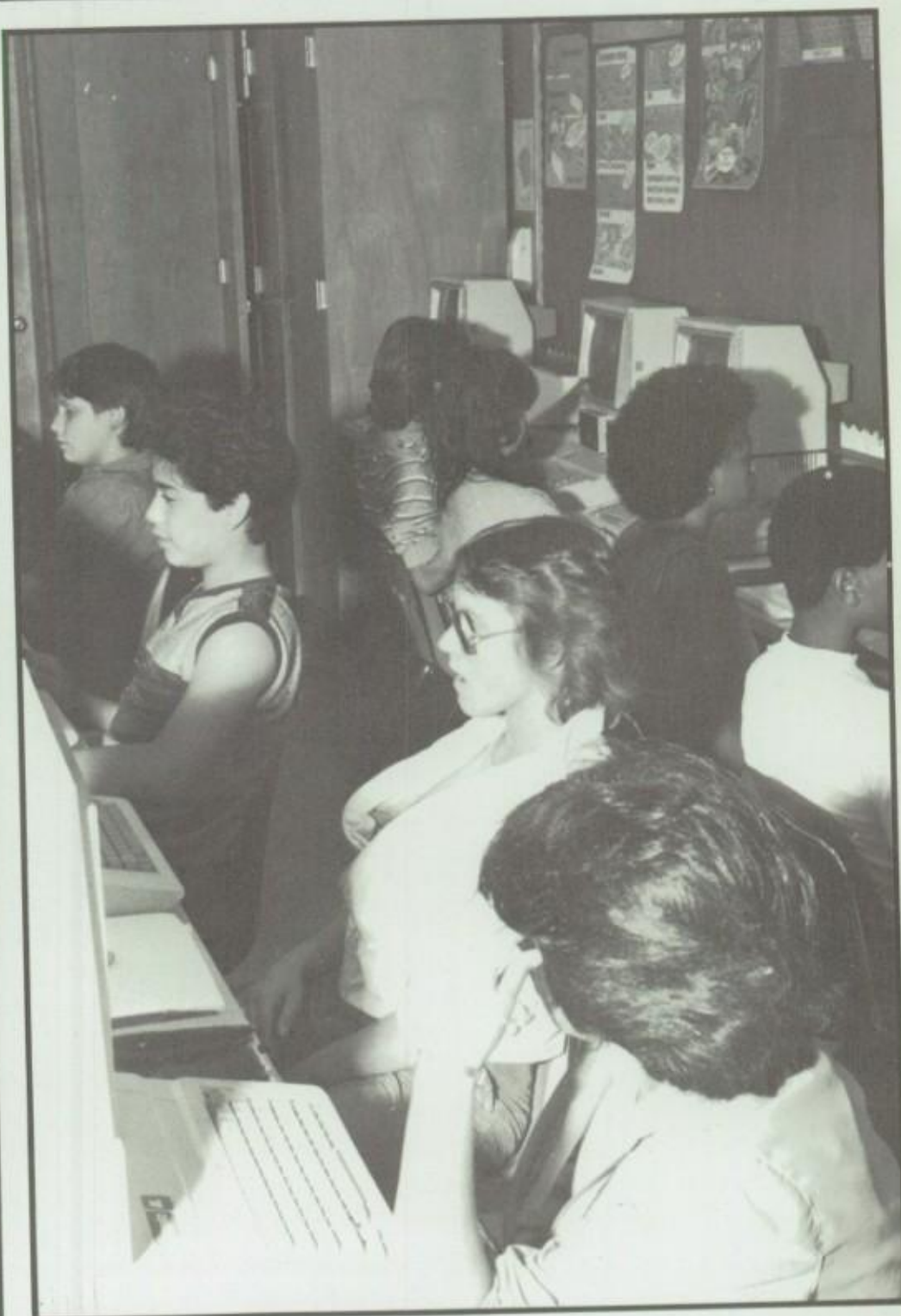
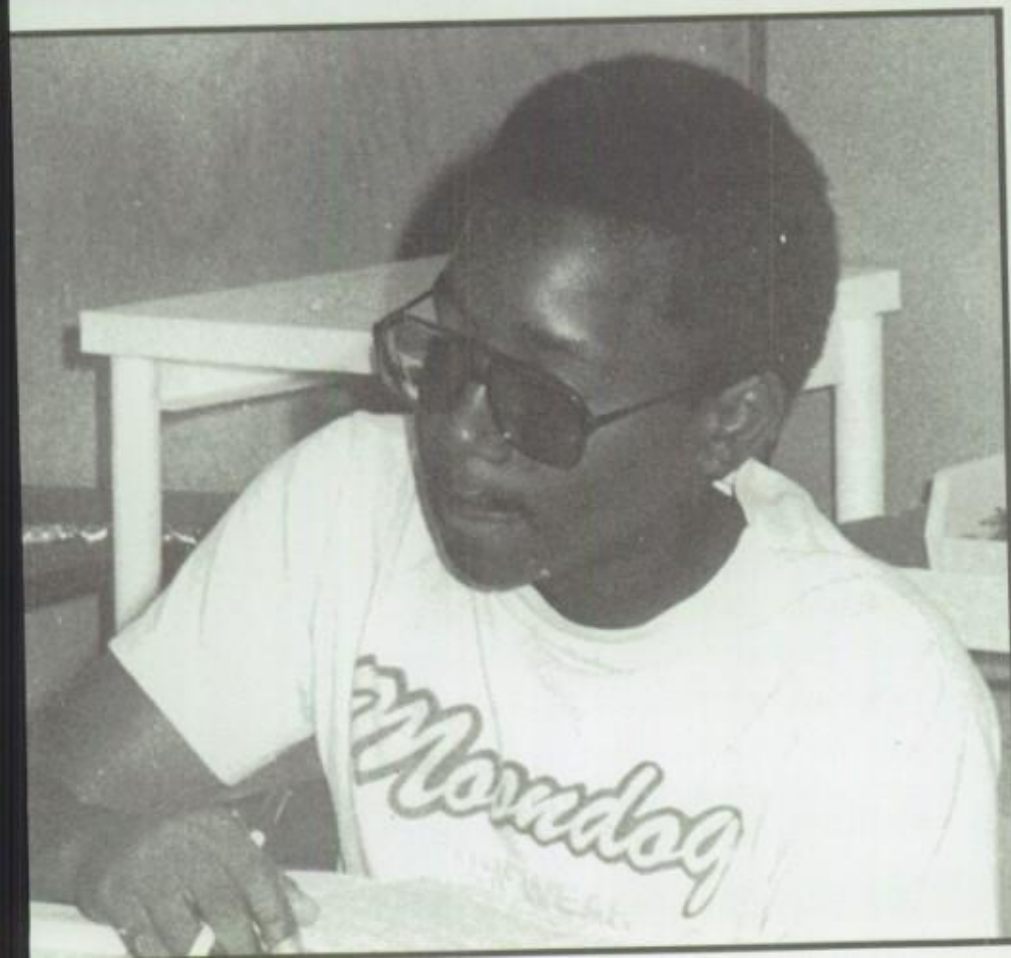
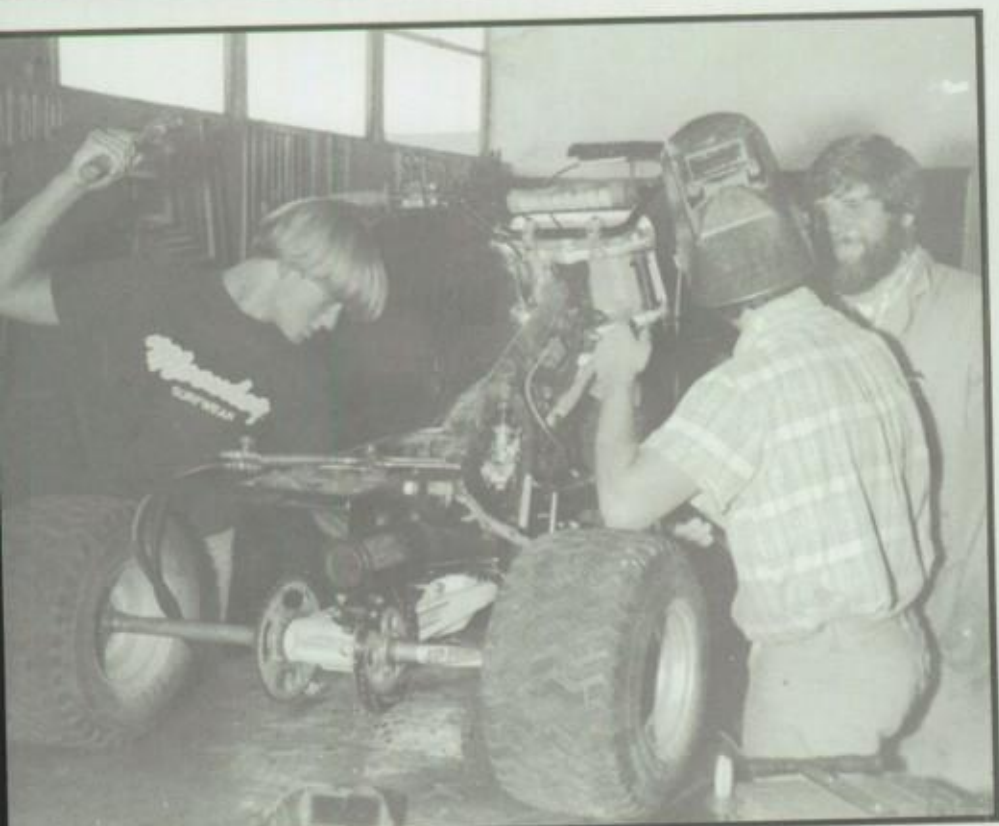
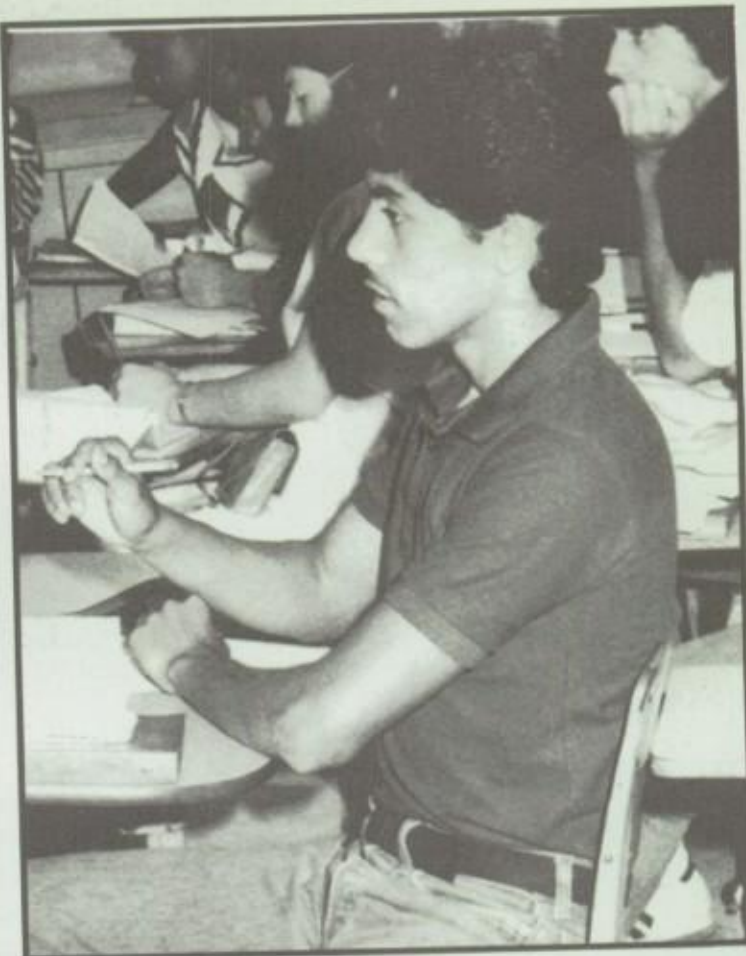
DeeDee Hensley said, "For one, they cost too much money and they're just gonna cause a big time hassle. Students will refuse to put them on and people will be tearing them apart."



School buses. Many students are transported to and from school by bus. Rollin, rollin, rollin. The wheels continued to roll for M.U.H.S.D. buses, but there were no seatbelts.

Bottom photo by Terri Brown





Top left — The classroom. Students listen as the teacher explains the lesson of the day. Top right — Full attention. Chris Lopez ponders over the day's lecture. Middle left — Auto shop. David Shankland hammers as Mr. Mike Parisot observes. Above — High tech. Students work with computers. Left — Doing an assignment in class. Robert Page consults BES for an answer.





### **Coming Together for a Common Cause** by Michelle Tibbs

Have you ever wondered how students meet new people? A great way was to join a club or organization.

A club is a group of people who come together for a common cause. Clubs usually meet once a week to make plans for future events or talk about their goals as an organization. There was a wide variety of clubs and organizations on campus with many causes such as: language, religion, ethnic backgrounds, and anti-drinking and driving. Not only did students

meet new and interesting people, but they learned more about the cause and they broadened their interests outside of school.

There were also benefits with joining clubs. For example, some clubs raised money and used that money to go on a field trip. There were clubs that were newly organized and clubs that were reorganized. In general clubs were interesting, informing and fun!

Ready for anything. Hilary Ford, Anne Nunes, and Robert Hooford fit lunch and club sign ups into the same time span.









Top — Looking over their work. Julie Tripp, Terry Brown, and Missy Hoban check to make sure that the pictures are labeled correctly. Above left — Working on a masterpiece. Brenda Callahan helping to prepare the yearbook float for the parade.

Above — Bottom row — Heather Richards, Tony Jenkins, Mila Hoban, Terri Brown, Marie Tibbs, and Eileen Miller. Middle Row — John Mason, Brenda Callahan, Michelle Shankle, Alan Hutton, Andrea Lewis, Kelly Kepschull, and Mandi DeGeorge. Top Row — Mrs. Anderson, Sonia Clark, Karen Petersen, David Castillo, Stephen Kuykendall, Steve McCarthy, and Keri Heines.





## We've Got Class by Alan Hutton

Many people probably thought that the yearbook class was not important, but they were wrong.

For seniors, the book was important because it was their last year. Also high schools are judged by the yearbook they produce.

Work was always plentiful and there were not enough students to get the job done. Often students took on more than one assignment. However, when the work was done, students in the school sometimes didn't appreciate the final product. This provoked an outburst from staff members such as, "If you don't like it, you join, and do something about it!"

People who joined the class enjoyed it because it was interesting and fun. They used the writing skills they learned for college and jobs in the future. Also they wanted to be remembered at Atwater after everyone was gone. Being on staff was like being a part of Atwater's history.

If people didn't like the job they did, they thought, "We've got class and next year let's see if they have enough class to do a better job."



Top — The Propper Cropper Boppers!! Mike Long, Mila Hoban, Terry Brown, Tammy Whitted, Mike Gonzales, and Julie Tripp all dressed up for a talent show held at Yearbook West. Above — Near finished. Robert Cook helps add the finishing touches to yearbook's Homecoming float.

Bottom left photo opposite page and bottom photo this page by David Castillo



# Rallies Really Rate



Back Row — Vance Spears, Kelly Ryckman, Donna Fisher, Holly Brown, and Susan Krasko.

Middle — Sonia Whitten. Front — Deanna Snyder. Right — Showing Falcon spirit. Monique Jones puts her talent to work to make a poster to boost team support. Bottom right — Showing a work of art. Miriam Phillips puts the finishing touches on her poster. Bottom left — Preparing for take-off. Derek Tiggler gathers the materials he will need to help decorate the gym for the game.

## Club Members Boost Spirit by Sonia Clark

Rallies were very common to Atwater High Students. Many people liked to go to rallies to be with their friends, and that's just what they did. Rally club members tried to boost team spirit, and enhance spectator enjoyment.







Top Left — Actor on the rise. Pike Staten during a performance of the Lunchtime Theatre sponsored by the Drama Club. Top Right — A touch of make-up. Elaine Roberts during her performance in the play, "Burlesque". Above — Front Row — Monique Knoll, Angela Hix, Kim Stinson, Sheila Vann, and Dena Rivas. Middle Row — Kelly Alexander, Deborah Dyer, Suzan Zanutto, and Mrs. Girolamo. Back Row — Andrea Brown, Karma Martin, Rick Powers, Maria Baldrige, Michelle Bolitho, Robert Black, Vicki Pare, and John Grondalski.

## Drama Demands Dedication

### Talent Visible During Lunch by Tony Jenkins

The Drama Club allowed many students to get a glimpse of its talent this year. They organized and sponsored a Lunchbox Theatre, in which there were many well performed acts.

Some of the students who participated in the show were Angela Hix, Dena Rivas, and Melissa Bass.

Drama Club anticipated attending a competition at Stanislaus State, and a play in San Francisco. According to Debbie Dyer, "Drama has many ideas, but not enough members."



# Ski Students Slalom Slopes



First Row — Scott Koehn, Allen Kamykowski, Todd Mattos, Tiffani Cresci, Julie Austin, Ricky Dietz, Debra Mason, Ricky Keys, Eddie Bauchman, Tracey Row, Melissa Viera, and Chris Cardey. Second Row — Mr. Logan, Missy Hoban, Tracy Yount, Mila Hoban, Beth Stanley, Chris Greer, Maria Baldrige, Susan Krasinski, Regina Dietz, Lisa Taylor, Gina Balestra, John Grandalski, Jennifer Norman, and Derrik Logan. Third Row — Mr. Logan, Sue Pedro, Angela Pemberton, Danny Smith, Gretchen Brigamen, Mark Sauter, Joie Balestra, Christine Cloak, Holly Brown, John Finkbeiner, Cheryl Vann, Kevin Alto, Matt Luis, Todd Mueller, John Maso, Roy Schmidt, Jaimie Camp, and Jeff Logan. Fourth Row — Tony Pedro, Damon Lustre, Ronnie Cockrum, Brent Wright, Timo Kontio, Luis Zimmerman, and Eric Parson.



Above — Heading for the lift. Kim Mashburn has her equipment and is ready for some ski fun. Right — Huddling. Jeff Logan and Angela Pemberton huddle together to keep warm.







Left — Zooming by. Brittany Rohrke skis down the slope at a fast pace. Middle left — Slowly swaying. Addy Mourauske takes her time going down the hill. Below — Ready to go. Karin Wetzel and Susan Milani are happy to be home after the long trip. Bottom left — Home again. The Ski Club packs for the long trip home. Bottom right — Totally cool. Susan Krasko and Chrissy Bird show off their varnests.







Top — Getting into gear. Skiers unload their gear as they get ready to hit the slopes. Above — Down the slopes. Clark Bird swooshes down a slope. Right — Picture perfect. Steve Milani, Kristine Wetzel, Charlie Post, and Cheryl Vann take time out to pose for a picture.

### Taking to the Slopes by John Mason

Blazing thru the powder at 60 miles an hour, hitting moguls and getting agro airs just before you helicopter off a 50 foot cliff, and waking up just in time to get ready for the ski trip to Bear, is a typical experience for a Ski Clubber.

The ski club boasted over 100 members, advised by Mrs. Logan who has been in charge of the club for the past three years.

Mrs. Logan agreed to start the ski club again with a little encouragement from her two sons.

She stated, "I thought I would start a ski club because it was just as easy to take a lot of people as it was my two sons."

Officers for the year were: Jeff Logan, President; Matt Luis — Vice President; Ricky Dietz, Treasurer; and Christy deBoer — Secretary. Angela Pemberton was the Christmas Dance Ski Club representative.

Meetings included guest speakers such as Mr. Johnson from McNamara Sports who was there to teach proper ski care and showed a movie. He also came back to teach students how to wax properly and showed a second film.





# Community Centered Club

Above — Front Row — Ricky Dietz, Sonya Whitten, Vance Spears, and Julie Austin. Back Row — Advisor, Bill Hall, Kelli Flores, Jeb Satiew, Gade Phatawong, Deanna Snyder, Gina Balestra, April Dunster, Debra Mason, Susan Krasko, and Holly Brown. Left — Attention everyone. April Dunster reads the minutes from the last meeting. Bottom left — Listening intently. Deanna Snyder pays very close attention to the speaker.



## Kiwanis Help Key Club

The first interest in sponsoring a Key Club came from the Kiwanis Club. They approved all ideas, and were involved in all the activities of the club.

An active and interested Key Club Committee should be willing to spend the time and effort counseling students. This was important to the success of the club.

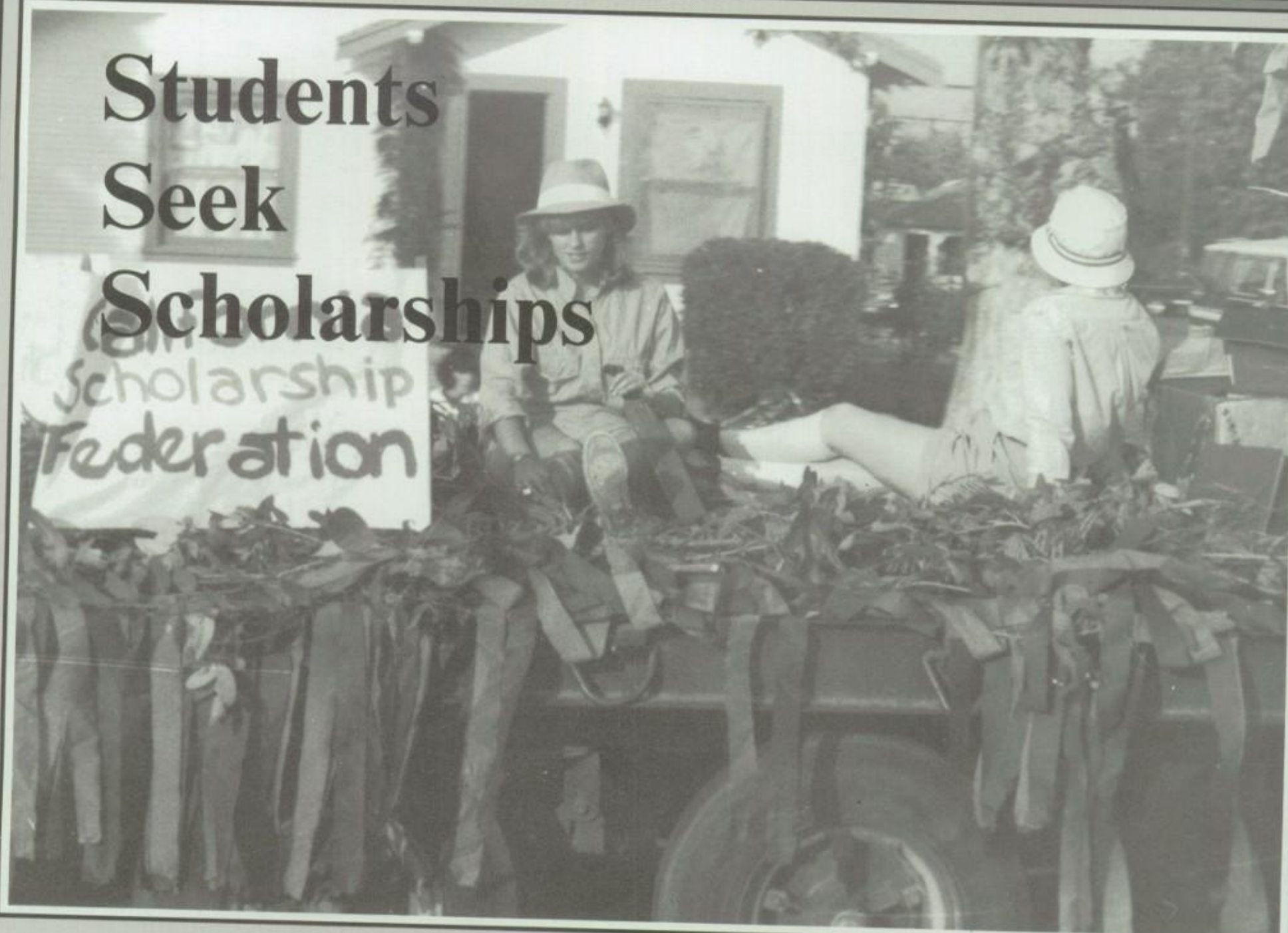
Building a Key Club required the full cooperation of the school officials.

An interested group of students in the high school willing to undertake the type of program offered is essential.





# Students Seek Scholarships



Jungle mania. CSF's Hilary Ford turned into a jungle maniac for the Atwater Homecoming Parade.

## High Standards by Tony Jenkins and Julie Tripp

What club could make colleges really sit up and take notice? CSF (California Scholarship Federation) could with their high standards.

Mrs. Girolamo said, "All students are eligible to join as long as they meet certain requirements." A student needed to have 3 "A's" and 1 "B" in order to join. PE or repeated courses did not count for points. Mrs. Girolamo added, "I encourage all students to join."

Now these intellectuals didn't just sit around discussing world events. They got to do some fun things too. In the fall they visited the campus of UC Davis; in the spring, they went to the University of the Pacific and Disneyland.



Front Row — Stephen Herland, Amy Tanner, Kelly Alexander, Michelle Wharton, Hilary Ford, Vance Spears, Noelle Allen, Appun Vickers, Lisa Pisarcik, Michelle Schanze, Mike Dawson, Brenda Fogltance, Kim Stinson. Second Row — Lina Southwick, Debbie Mason, Susie Hsieh, Scott Mozier, Steve Milani, Secretary; Erin Trammel, Vice-President; Deborah Dyer, President; Kelly Ryckmen, Treasurer; Tom Klaameyer, Carri Svoboda, Dayna Nachtigal, Sandi Hope, Sheri Thomas. Third Row — Scott Hamilton, John Grondalski, Joe Hayes, Michelle Dempsey, Melissa Avitia, Christine Cloak, Jon Derr, Lisa Tanner, Annemarie Nunes, Wendy Mazuelos, Delores Hill, Margaret Kelly, Melissa Mazuelos. Back Row — John Finkbeiner, Doug Stickler, Rhonda Chandler, Robin Collins, Stephanie Nugent, Kristine Wetzal, Michele Rascon, Sonja Mann, Dennis De Witt, Scott Riise, Colleen Smith, Karen Howard, Chris Heller, Mrs. Girolamo, Advisor.

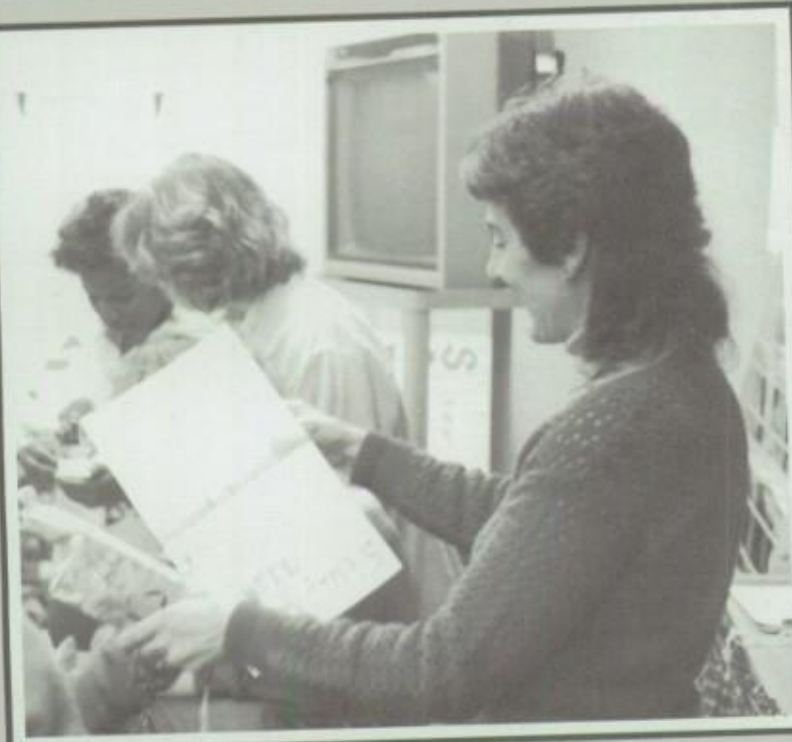




Front Row — Melanie Toews, Monique Knoll, Mandi DeGeorge, Michele Gray, and Michelle Dunn. Back Row — Lisamarie Walsh, Kelly McKinley, Michelle Soderstrom, Heather Hassler, Felicia Campbell and Mrs. Gregory.



Above right — "Just what I wanted." Felicia Campbell gets a great gift at the S.A.D.D. Christmas party. Left — A happy face how nice. Mrs. Gregory takes a minute to admire the work. Bottom — Rev 'em up! S.A.D.D. members Lisamarie Walsh, Terri McCreary, Melanie Toews, and Mrs. Gregory show what can happen when you drink and drive.



## The Wrong Place at the Wrong Time

It was a clear, cool night, nice because there was no fog. But, it wasn't so nice for senior Brittany Rohike, a victim of circumstance. It was the fabled case of being in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Rohike, John Nunes, and Sheriff's officer Mark Pazin, were starting to leave a local residence. As they were walking to their cars, the driver of a Volkswagen, Jose Flores, struck another car and deflected into the three pedestrians and then fled the scene. Later the driver was apprehended after ramming a patrol car in an attempt to escape.

Brittany sustained a broken jaw and lacerations of the face; John Nunes a concussion; Officer Pazin hurt his hand and arm.

In S.A.D.D. students are keeping each other from driving drunk. But how can they protect themselves from adult drunk drivers?



# Drunk Drivers Do Damage

Photos of Christmas party by David Castillo



# Students Strut Stuff

## Talent and Remembrance Highlight an Active BSU Year by Tony Jenkins

BSU, Black Student Union, had a very active school year. They planned and sponsored two activities.

For starters they put on a rally in remembrance of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. BSU members organized the rally well. They invited many great speakers and honored guests. Some of them included Mr. Lou Braxton, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Girolamo, Mrs. Maples, Mrs. Weatherby, and Miss Faul.

"It was really a great rally, and I enjoyed it a lot," stated Pamela Sarica one of the many students who attended the rally.

Secondly, they organized and sponsored a talent show. There was a great turnout for this event. The show featured many terrific performances in singing, acting, and dancing. It also updated the audience on some of the latest fashion trends.

The winners were chosen by a panel of judges. Third place went to Peter Annapolis. Second place went to Charlotte Jones, who sang the popular Whitney Houston song "Saving All My Love For You." Judging from the tremendous applause given by the crowd, this was a well performed act.

A group of three sisters who called themselves "Magic Touch" simply took the show with a superb lip sync act to a song called "Let Me Be The One."

Tammy Mathews and Lisa Cacabelos said, "The show was great. I enjoyed it very much. This was a real blast."

Middle left — Belinda Jackson sports the latest in active sportswear. Bottom right — Digital Display. Mia Wilson and Nikol Clay displaying their talents in dancing. Middle right — We are the Champions. Turquoise Hubble and Keisha Hubble showed in their routine why they are champs. Bottom left — Paper Doll. Angelic Leggett poses during a portion of the fashion show.



Front Row — LaTonya Love, Lynn Smith, Angilic Leggett, Mia Wilson, Marie Tibbs, Jaeda Dove, Nikol Clay, Renee Oliver, Michelle Allen, and Gia Savoy. Middle Row — Wanda Pipkin, Mildred Pipkin, Tasha Williams, Rene Wail, Sonja Brown, Danielle Mims, Sonja Thompson, Turquoise Hubble, Angie Ridley, Keisha Hubble, Tesha Williams, Crystal McLaurin, Tiffany Hill, and Mr. Clay. Back Row — Frances Bunch, Shelley Porter, Belinda Jackson, Tracey Williams, Sonja Whitten, Latonya Powell, Charles Gilbert, Carlos Carlson, Tony Love, Sonja Hill, and Tina Cooksey.







Front Row — Gloria Garcia, Amelia Ramirez, Melissa Avitia, Tina Lugo, Sophia Zambrano, and Irene Reyna. Back Row — Mrs. Parga, Yolanda McGlothlin, Pete Ramirez, and Norma Garcia.

# Chicano Christmas Candidate Captures Crown

## CSU Member Christmas Queen by Stacy Newman

Irene Reyna, a member of the Chicano Student Union was elected to be Christmas Queen, the first time for a CSU member to win the honor.

The CSU helped Irene to be elected by telling friends to vote for Irene and then their friends told other people, and the word got around.

The CSU also made their own ribbons. A few members pitched in some money and went out and bought the tools they needed. There were 12 students helping to make the ribbons and it took 2-3 hours to make them.

When Irene found out she won, she was shocked. She said she won by campaigning and the CSU helped her do it.

"Oh, What a Night!" Christmas Queen Irene Reyna and her escort Pete Ramirez celebrate the night by dancing.





# Fine French Food

## The French Connection by Keri Hines and Mary Sampaio

The French Club participated in a rather fun activity. They were involved in a fundraising project to go to San Francisco in May. Once there, they went to a local French restaurant, and got the opportunity to order their food in French.

After a nice meal, they attended a French movie. The money left over from the trip and the movie was set aside for the Senior Scholarship Fund.

The club also organized and presented the play 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarves' in French.



Front Row — Mrs. Ambrosini, Elisa Hernandez, Erin Trammel, Nicki Davies, Lisa Tanner, Mike Dawson, Maria Baldrige, and Martina Flores. Middle Row — Ger Moua, Maria Duran, Lina Southwick, Beth Stanley, Kim Stinson, Kathy Baldrige, Blanca Zamora, Irene Garcia, Susan Trujillo, Karen Dickey, and Monica Andrade. Back Row — Mai Phan, Tayna Dyer, Chris Wilson, Maria Macias, Pock Geimer, Ricky Keyes, Kim Fuller, Kim Cox, Rhonda Chandler, Jo Ann Cedillo, Dale Wilson, and Bertha Perez.



A French Snow White — Maria Baldrige practicing an all French dialogue.



# Foreigners Find Friends

## More Than Pen-Pals

From Hamlin, (Hameln) East Germany, 15 students ranging in age from 15-18 years of age as well as two instructors, arrived for a three week visit.

Classes students took prepared them for the future, but it was not always possible nor practical to provide actual experiences. The exchange program provided the opportunity for students to travel continents to experience life in another country.

It was the job of the director of the program, Ann Stein, to match students to host families in the Atwater area. According to Mrs. Stein, it was sometimes difficult when dealing with students who had allergies or other special needs. For instance, one student stated that he didn't care for sugar. It was Mrs. Stein's responsibility to match him up with a family that was "health food" oriented.

Another problem with placing students arose out of a difference between cultures; smoking was perfectly acceptable in Germany, while looked down upon in America, for teenagers.

The German students attended classes here similar to the course of study they took at home. They also took subjects of interest and were responsible for their assignments.



Front Row — Jennifer Bartlett, Gretchen Brigaman, Veronique Giltay, Melissa Garrett, and Mrs. Stein. Back Row — Timo Kontio, Rick Powers, Dale Wilson, Sam Hunt, and Milford Esau.



Break time — Christine Cloak, Gretchen Brigaman, and James Nathan discuss skating techniques.

Reflections — Timo Kontio takes a moment to enjoy the outdoors while on a skating trip in Yosemite.



# Foundation For Agriculture's Future



Front Row — Jimmy Pitcock, Scott Chatham, Sheila Souza, Michelle Lemmon, Todd Rinkenberger, Kelly Vierra, Gre Cardey, Vickie Freitas, and David Ferroni. Row Two — Jason Ferroni, Scott Hosburgh, Joe Mello, Buck Ledford, David Wright, Michelle Toconis, Mal Machado, Nanette Miller, Monra Miller, Dayna Nachtigal, and Gary Ledford. Row Three — Mike Albright, Marque Wiggins, Manny Whitaker, Gina Casso, Marni Dick, Missy Brown, Liz Escobar, Jeanen Shamblin, Rika Pelton, and Cherie Coburn. Row Four — Danny Dutra, Sayf Munir, Danielle Buzbee, Jennifer Eckles, Helen Danford, Tina Knoblock, Lori Dusen, Ja Neen Gore, Dale Grissom, and Tony Holman. Row Five — Mike Barry, Allen Cline, Jerry Pitcock, Mary Freitas, Renee Bettencourt, Marc Haywood, Robert Lunsford, Robert McDowell, and Mike Casso. Row Six — Justin Covert, James Butrym, J.J. Pacheco, Kristina Whatley, Katrina Watson, Stephanie Prine, Rudy Carrillo, Chris Cardey, Scott Koehn, Carol Lema, and Bebe Hildreth. Row Seven — Pat McCormick, David Pisacco, Paul Stone, Eileen Rivera, Lori Maddox, Troy Rinkenberger, John Silva, David McDowell, and Tony Wilson. Row Eight — David Bryson, Beth Tohati, Carri Svoboda, Angie Grandov, Janet Balch, Tim Vincent, Steve Attebery, and Cliff Collins. Row Nine — Jerome Liversledge, Michelle Koehn, Tony Tanchion, Trina Dutra, Shannon Bacom, Linda Carlos, Danielle Gaines, Dana Pereira, Christie Wood, and Richie Palmer. Row Ten — Rosemary Triebel, Shirley Harrison, Eileen Miller, Tracey Row, Tammy Farmer, Annette Stanford, Frank Albright, Dan Valladao, Todd Lemas, Justin Pereira, Gary Ledford, and Che Bradley.





The people in charge. Jimmy Pitcock, Sentinel; Greg Cardey, Treasurer; Todd Rinkenberger, President; David Ferroni, 1st Vice President; Scott Chatham, Historian; Sheila Souza, Reporter; Michelle Lemmon, 2nd Vice President; Vickie Freitas, Chaplain; and Kelly Vierra, Secretary.



Above — All she wants to do is dance! David Ferroni and Vickie Freitas dance the night away at the FFA Christmas party.



Above — What's so funny? Mr. Coleman and Mr. Schiber share a joke.

## Foundation For Agriculture by Eileen Miller

The FFA state theme for the year was Foundation For Agriculture. The students in the Atwater Chapter went a long way towards making that foundation strong through Fun, Friendship, and Activities.

The students in the chapter had fun in everything they did from serving at dinners to going on trips like Marriott's and deep sea fishing. The FFA gave students the opportunity to learn through hands on experience, and relate it to their everyday lives, yet letting them have fun while they did it.

Friends were made for life in the FFA. Interesting people from all over the state were met as the FFA traveled to contests that varied in size and intensity.

Many activities were held throughout the year. They ranged from Dairy Judging to Skating Parties.

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# Tremendously Talented Teams



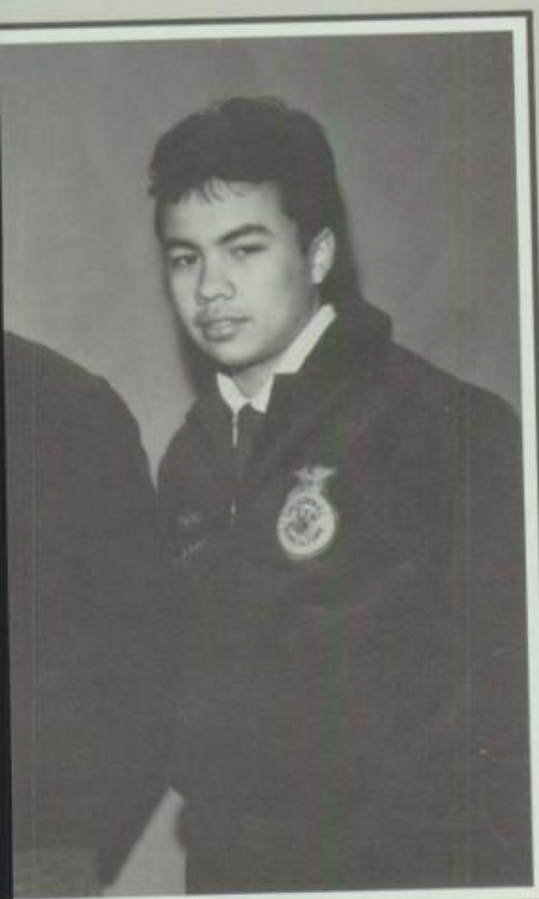
Above — Dairy Judging Team: Jason Ferroni, Vicki Freitas, and Todd Rinkenberger.

Top Middle — Strenuous work!!! Mr. Anglin helps out. Bottom Middle — Livestock Judging Team: Tony Wilson, Gina Casso, Marc Haywood, and Mike Casso.

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Top — Milk Judging Team: Kelly Vierra, Stephanie Smith, and Dana Pareira. Above — Horse Judging Team: Annette Stanford, Carri Svoboda, Dayna Nachtigal, and Eileen Miller.

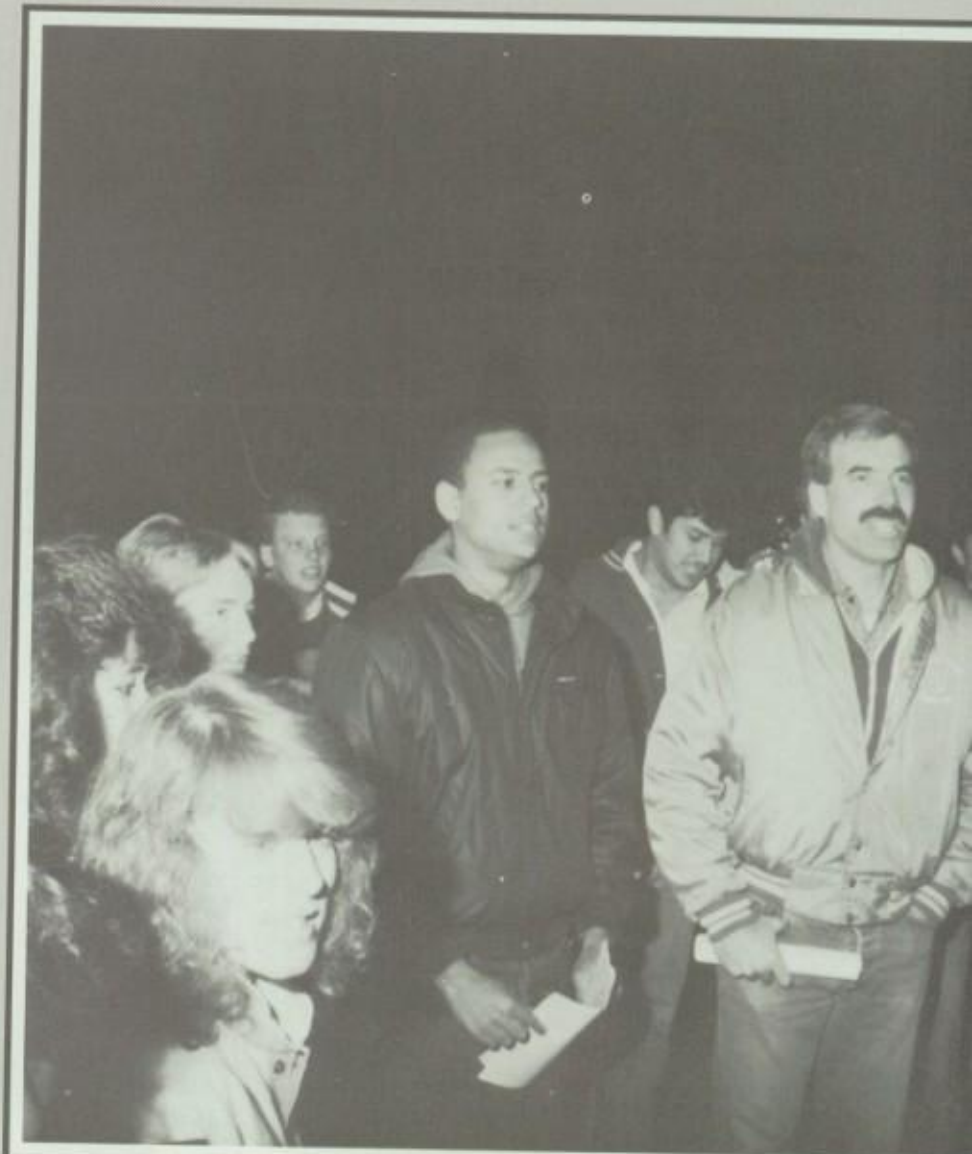


# Fellowship Find Friends for the Future

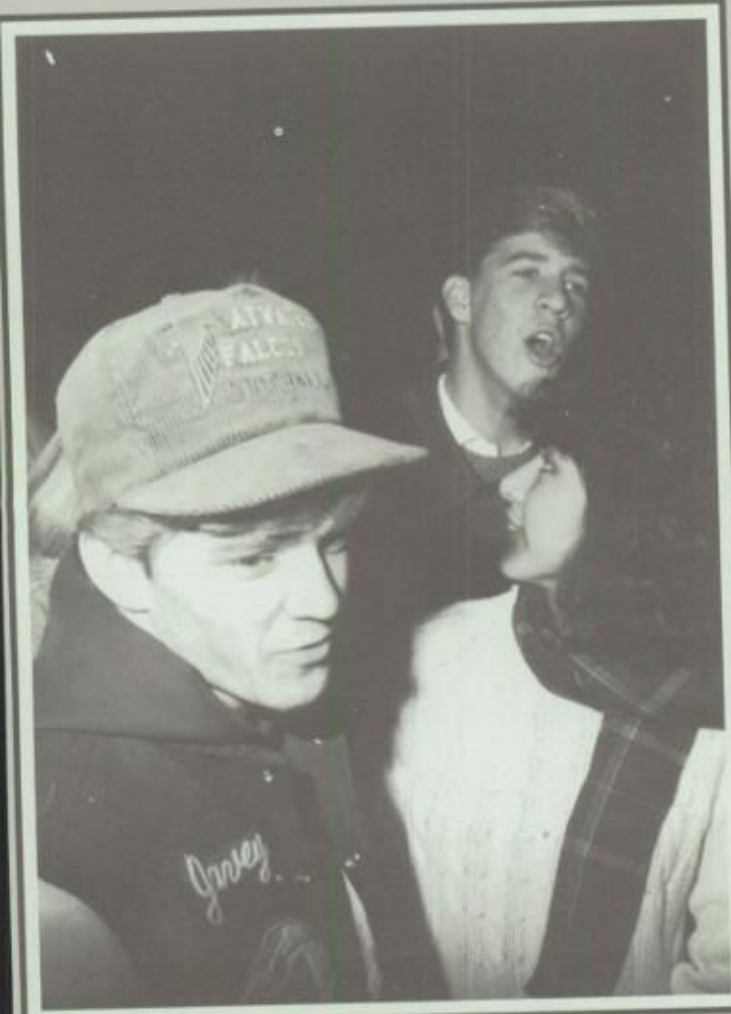
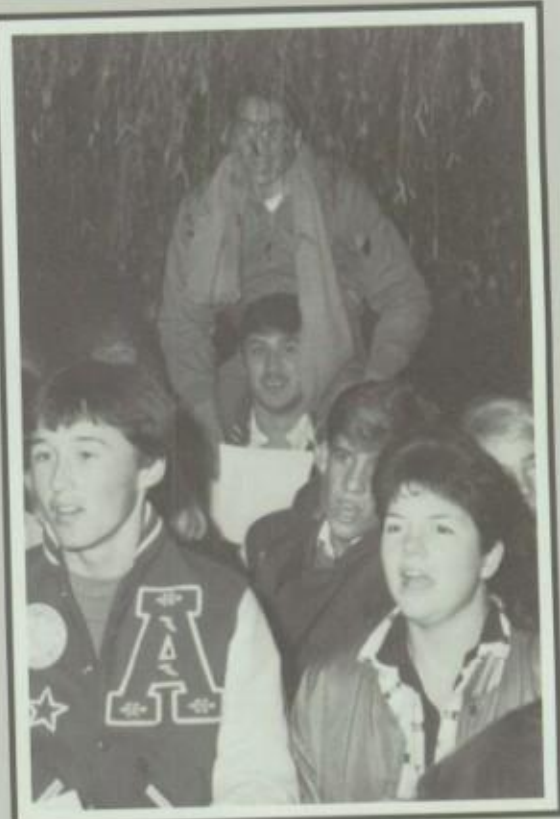
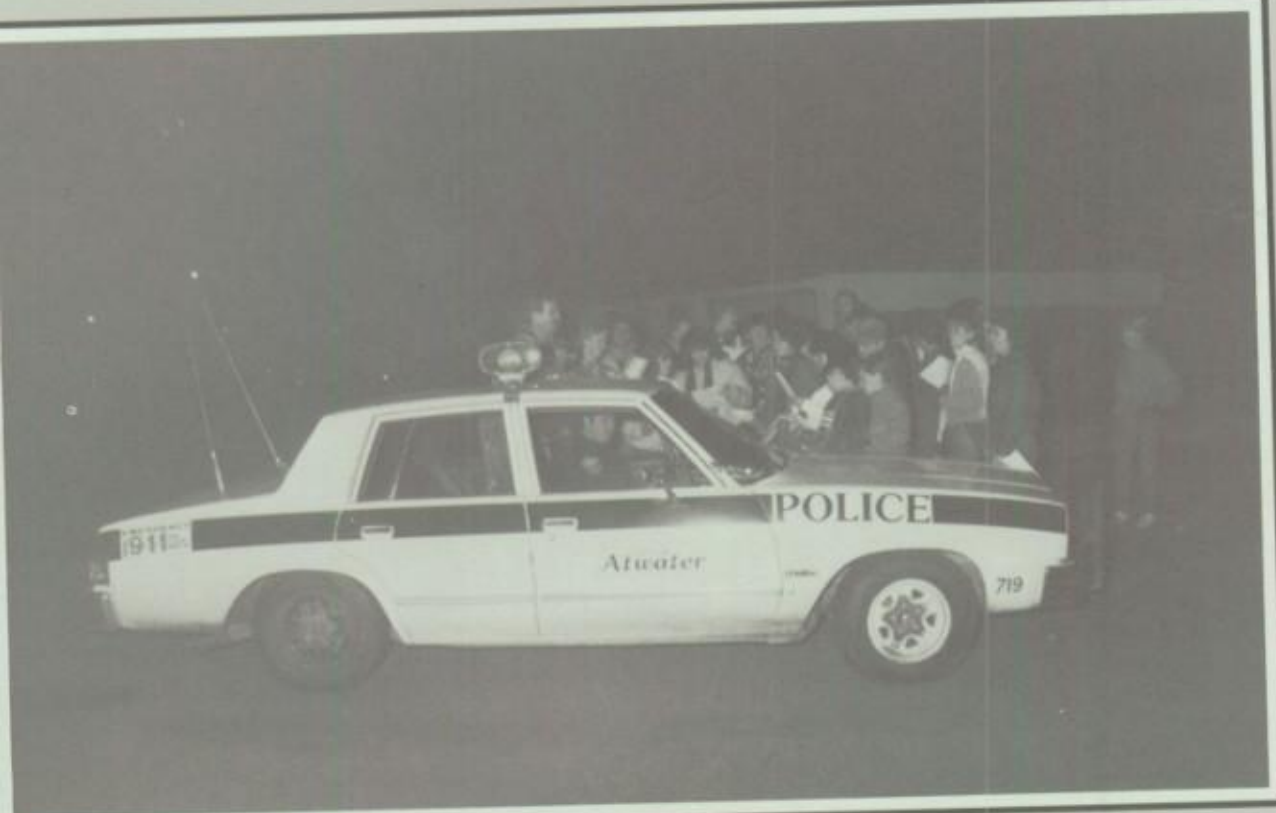


Front row — Missy Hoban, Lisa Tanner, Danny Dupont, Mike Brown, Beth Norman, Amy Tanner, Kristen deBoer, Michelle Dempsey, Ginger Connolly, and Donna Fisher. Second row — Ken Williams, Chris Heller, Samuel Hunt Jr., Tiffany Thulien, Lisa Wade, Melissa Galatro, Gina Balestra, Marie Tibbs, Julie Tripp, Kelly Ryckmen, and Mila Hoban. Third row — Marc Sauter, Shane Gentry, Devin Nugent, Addy Morauske, Julie Livria, Stephanie Nugent, Paul Heppner, Mike Bell, Andy Dewitt, and Terri Brown. Fourth row — Javey Derr, Tony Tydingco, Kyle Hearn, Scott Musser, Charles Wright Jr., Philip Ruiz, Kevin Chambers, Sandy Dutra, and Susan Milani. Back row — Paul O'Campo, Gwen Lanoway, Pamela Lanoway, Jon Derr, Brian Powell, John Livria, Mr. Bell, Mr. Medefind, and Robin Dame.

Deck the Halls. Heather Johnston, Michelle Rickter, Rick Keyes, Tom Klaameyer, Ferman Perez, Charles Wright, and Mr. Medefind sing to a local family.







Top left — Unruly mob? FCA members end up singing carols to an officer. Top right — Better view. Danny French on Ferman Perez, with Ken Williams, Robert Lyles, Lisa Tanner and Billy Deardorff adding vocal support. Left — O' Silent Night? Not with FCA out. Javey Derr, Robert Lyles, and Estelle Brenton sing out! Bottom — What's next? FCA picking a Christmas Carol.

### FCA's Big Night by Michelle Tibbs and Keri Hines

"Bang!" That was the perfect word to describe FCA's first meeting.

"There were 120 people," said Mr. Bell. This was the kickoff meeting of the year. The reason that the meeting was such a success was that it was well publicized. "We're really after the freshmen and sophomores this year," Mr. Bell said.

FCA (Fellowship Christian of Athletics) was started when Mr. Schanze and Mr. Bell met and decided that this was something that would be good for the athletes, coaches, and students. FCA, a national organization, was started in 1953, but did not begin on the AHS campus until 1976, and had only 10 athletes as members.

The advisers for Men's FCA were Mr. Bell, Mr. Medefind, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Kalcevich. The women's advisers were Mrs. Powell and Mrs.

Mrs. Bell.

FCA had a number of exciting activities during the year. On October 23rd, they had a dynamic guest speaker with 250 members showing up for the event. The topic was one that seemed to be very popular; "Rock Music and it's symbolism and effects on people who listen to it." The speaker, a former chauffeur for various rock groups, was a pastor and youth director in Fresno. The speaker had done research on the subject and knew many facts about Rock Music that even the average rocker didn't know.

On November 4th there was another guest speaker. Greg Friel spoke on drug and alcohol abuse. Mr. Friel was a former circus performer, and a drug and alcohol abuser. He talked to young people about the consequences of this disturbing problem.

In December there was the annual Christmas Caroling and Christmas Party.

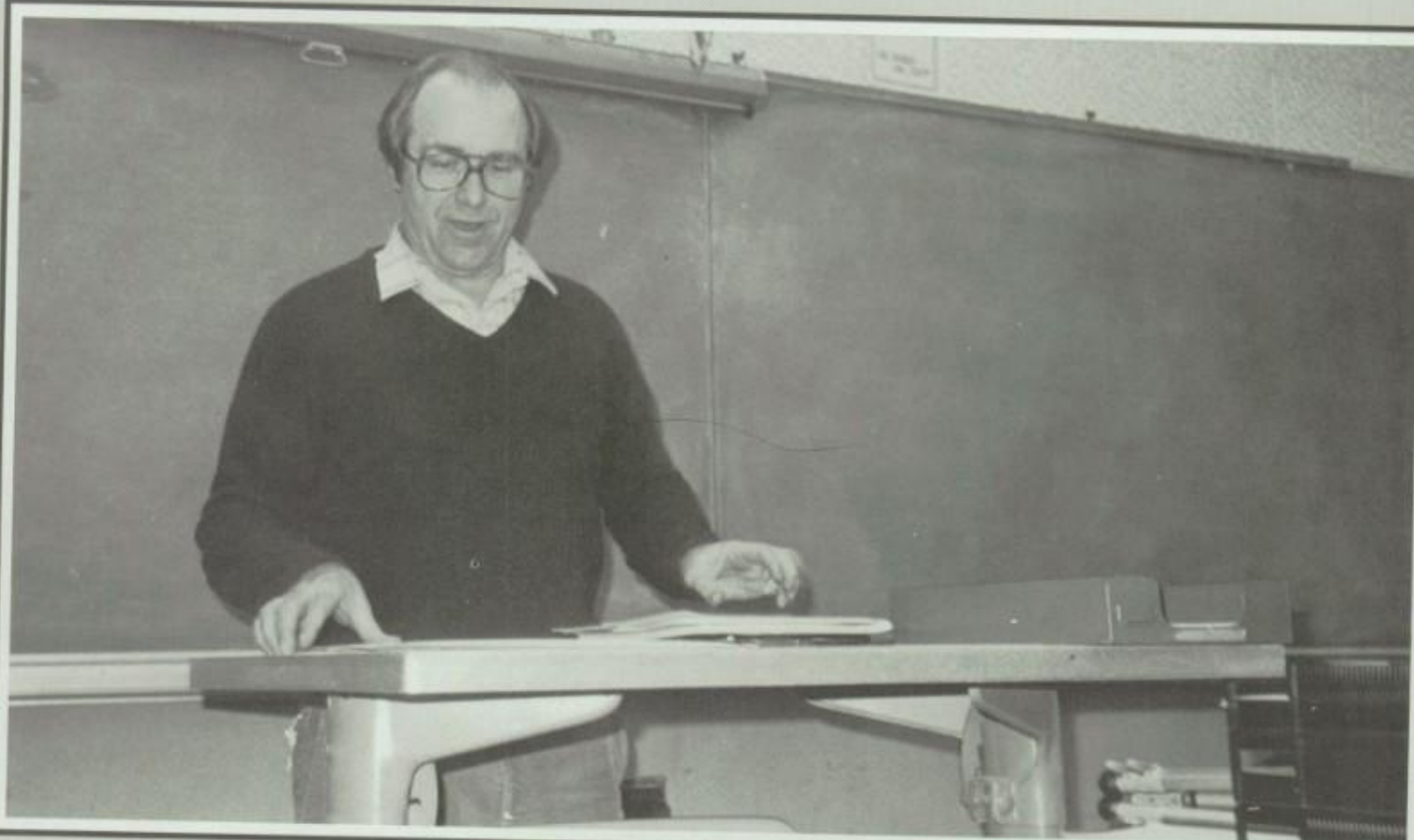


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## Career Centered Club

Right — Waiting for calmness. Mr. Northern awaits for quiet before he starts the meeting. Middle center — Amused during the lecture. Chante Dobbins and Kristine Wetzel let out a small giggle during an FBLA meeting.



### A National Organization by Stephen D. Kuykendall

"F.B.L.A. is a national organization designed to help business students become better aware of business careers," stated Mr. Northern an advisor for the club. The club was very strong on campus. Any persons who were involved with a business course were eligible to join this organization and all business teachers were advisors for the club.

Guest speakers, fund raisers, and other activities were planned so that the students could learn more about business. Many students were involved in the club for the competition against other F.B.L.A. chapters. They competed in business related categories such as typing, accounting, shorthand, job interviews, and many others.

Front Row — Mike McDonough, Kristine Wetzel, Danielle Stone, Steve Milani, Joanne Rivera and Maria Duran. Middle Row — Eric Northern, Patricia Lewis, Janell Johnston, Baldish Mahal, Wendi Price, Linda Duran, Aiko Funderburk, and Mr. Northern. Back Row — Stacey Wilkie, Randy Simons, Cheryl Vann, Melvin Jones, Kelly Vierra, Sandy Lane, Anna Aguilar and Trina Foursha.







## Politics Plus People

Front Row — Crystel Langley, Michelle Schanze, Vance Spears, Sami Weiland, Lisa Ozenbaugh and Sue Choi. Middle Row — Dale Candelaria (Advisor), Susie Hsieh, Wendy Mazuelos, Tom Klaameyer, Margaret Kelly, Michelle Wharton, Nancy Allen and Nancy Smith. Back Row — Sheri Thomas, Colleen Smith, Mike Dawson, David Bell, Karen Howard, Gina Balestra, and Dawn Elder.



## Make Democracy Work by Brenda Callahan

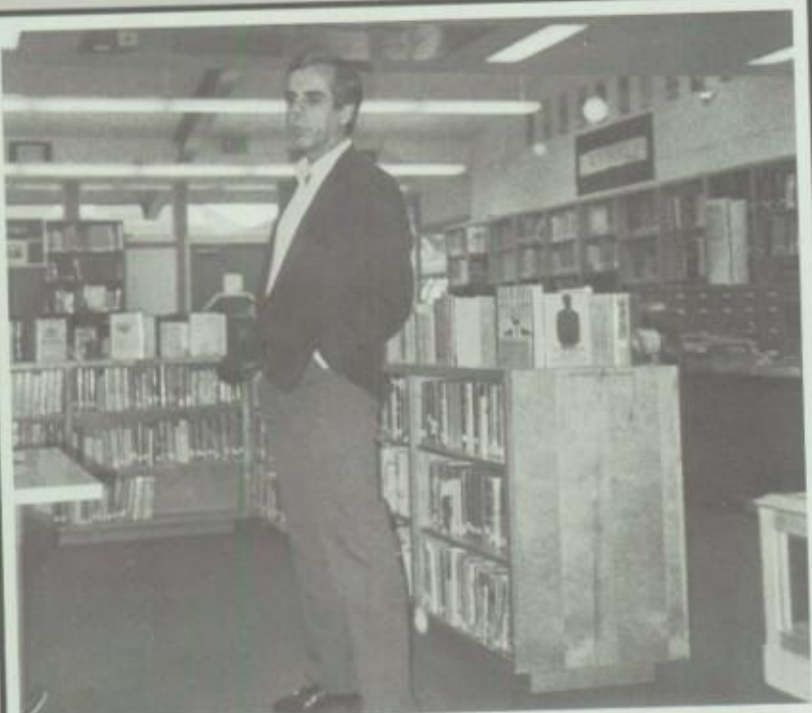
In order to educate the members of our community as voters, statesman, and loyal citizens, the Junior Statesman of America was formed.

This year arrived with many clubs and with them came the Junior Statesman, advised by Mr. Candelaria. The objective of a Junior Statesman was to make democracy work in their surrounding community.

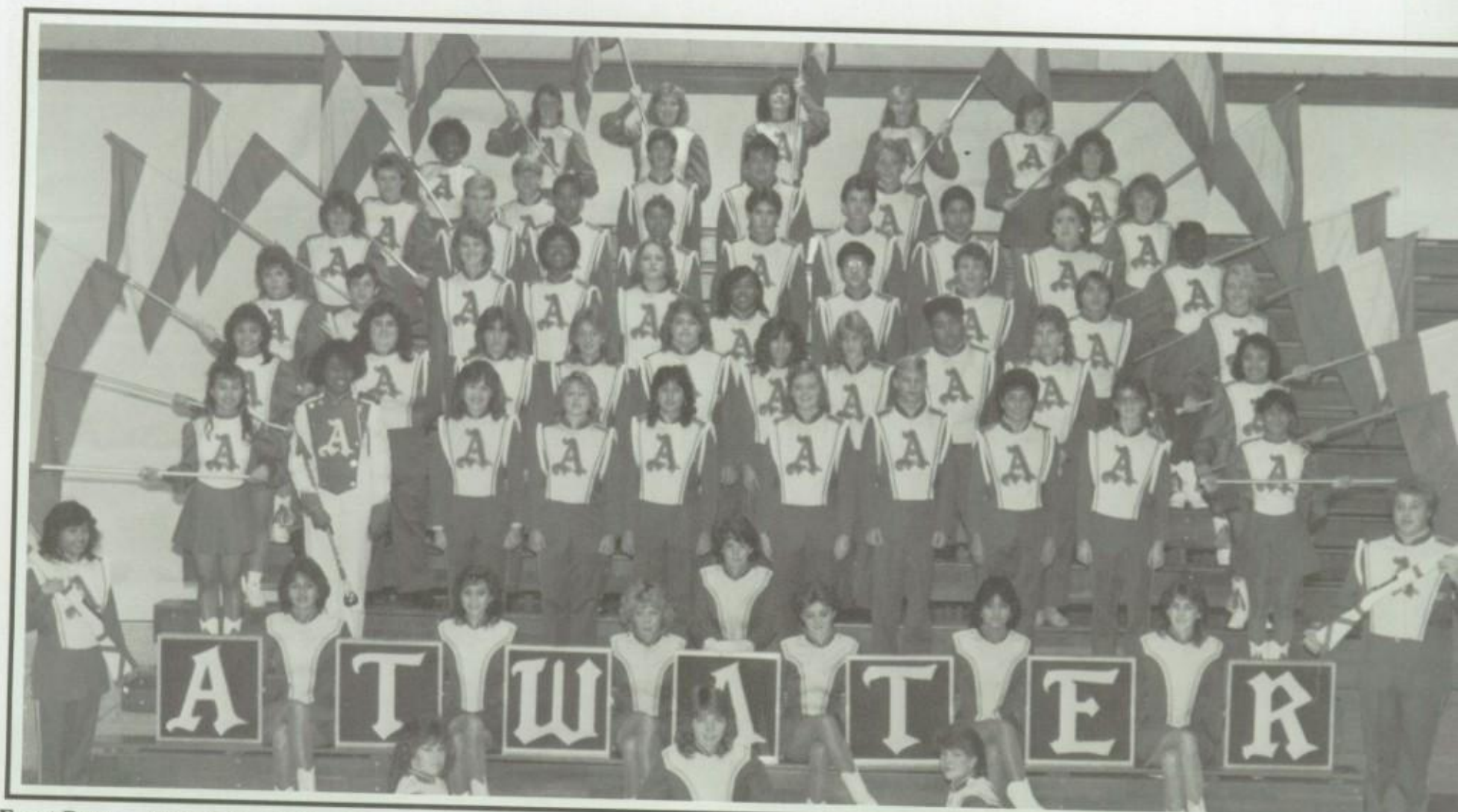
Michelle Wharton stated that a Junior Statesman was, "Someone who cares about the government and who is willing to get involved as a youth."

The main purpose of this club was to get people to the polls by fliers and transportation. Hopefully the Junior Statesman made a difference.

Above — Eager to answer. Karen Howard raises her hand, while Crystel Langley and Colleen Smith look on. Left — Politics on campus. Representative Tony Coehlo was a special guest speaker of the Junior Statesmen.







Front Row — Kelly Lingenfelter, Rhonda Paschall, and Andrea Cordoza, Row 2 — Shelly Baysa, Yolanda McGlothin, Michelle Rivera, Staci Miller, Wendy Webb, Stephaine Hunter, Amilia Ramirez, Tami Trexler, and Troy Grissom. Row 3 — Sandi Hope, Rashanna Frazier, Katherine Williams, Lesley Burns, Michelle Santos, Connie Howell, Thomas Klaameyer, Leslie Rinaldi, Debra Pitchford, and Eileen Rivera. Row 4 — Rhonda Dupont, Kelly Flores, Melaine Hall, Andrea Geier, Caldinda Coutu, Tami Robinson, Stefani Wurts, Joe Legrand, Anna Green, and Juanita Perez. Row 5 — Kelly Thomas, David Trexler, Juliet Plumee, Gary Hallmon, Lori Maddox, Whittney Evens, Wesley Tanji, Dal Grissom, Thomas Gotteslig, and Katrina Jenkins. Row 6 — Staci Leal, George Lessard, Gerald Peterson, Tasha Williams, B. J. Jones, Dwain Omeyer, Alex Beltran, Robin Colins, and Eyleen Peterson. Row 7 — Debbie Stratton, Robert Bigalke, Donald Mooney, John Diaz, Eric Anderson, and Wendie Menetry. Row 8 — Felecia Campbell, Christina Cloak, Audry Jenkins, Carol Moore, Vicki Pare, Rebecca Hilliard, and Brenda Fogltance.

### “All Dressed Up and No Place to Go!”

It was the Santa Ana rain which caused the 16th annual California Band Review in Southern California to be cancelled for the first time in its history, and paved the way for the Atwater High School band to march in the Disneyland Thanksgiving Parade without an audition, another first.

The traditional trip for the review, (which was originally started by Robert Ward and Atwater High's former band director Bill Schneider), usually included two nights in a motel, the competition, a night at Disneyland, and then a sleepy ride home. This was not to be the agenda for the band when the wrath of Santa Ana forced officials to halt the competi-

tion.

It was not only the over \$5,000 investment which looked like it was down the drain, but the fact that the entire band was, “All dressed up,” and had “no place to go.” It was exactly this that director Dupertuis told Disneyland officials until they were persuaded to allow the award winning band to march without so much as a written application, video tape, pictures, or music tape, all normally submitted years in advance in order to perform in the prestigious affair.

The entrance to Disney's wonderful world was through a secret gate behind the park. From there, the band made its way between the Mat-

ter Horn and Sleeping Beauty's castle to Main Street and on toward the entrance and the fire station exit.

Because of the torrents of rain the day before, the park was jam-packed, which caused the letter carriers to turn sideways in order to get through. Further complications from the lack of space appeared when a baby carriage was hit by a base drum, and a woman was hit by a letter while trying to pose for a picture.

Although there were no awards to be garnished by the band in Disneyland, and no shouts of “We're #1!” students left for home with the feeling of accomplishment that only winners know.





Clarinet players, Robin Colins, Wesley Tanji, Melaine Hall, Troy Grissom, Lori Maddox, Kelly Flores, and Whittney Evans. Saxophone players. Kneeling — Leslie Rinaldi, Thomas Klaameyer, and Anna Green. Back row — Gary Hallmon, Joe Legrand, and Robin Collins.



Shelly Baysa and Troy Grissom. Flute Players. Connie Howell, Shelly Baysa, Tami Robinson, Debra Pitchford, Stefani Wurts, Juliet Plume, Michelle Santos, Calinda Coutu, Lesley Burns, Andrea Geier and Katherin Williams. Letter Carriers. Front row — Kelly Lingenfelter, Yolanda McGlothin, Andrea Cardoza, Staci Miller, Amelia Ramirez, Tami Trexler, and Rhonda Pascall. Back row — Wendy Webb, Michelle Rivera, and Stephanie Hunter.





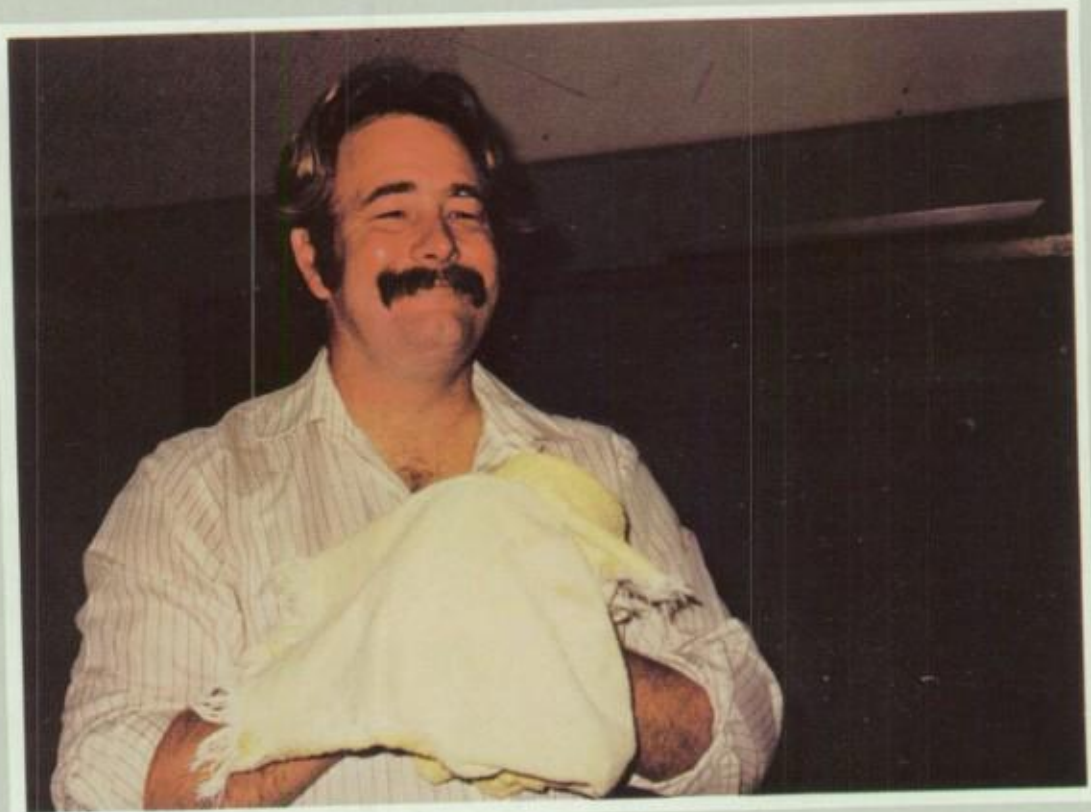


**Tall Flags.** Front Row — Brenda Fogltance, Sandi Hope, Rhonda Dupont, Eileen Rivera, Juanita Perez, and Kelly Thomas. Back Row — Katrina Jenkins, Felecia Campbell, Debbie Stratton, Aundry Jenkins, Staci Leal, Rashanna Frazier, Carol Moore, Vicki Pare, Rebecca Hilliard, Christina Cloak, Wendie Menetrey, and Eyleen Peterson.



**Drum players.** Front row — Gerald Peterson, Eyleen Peterson, Tasha Williams, and Thomas Klaaymeyer. Back row — David Trexler, B. J. Jones, Dwaine Omeyer, Eric Martin, and Alex Beltran. Wind instruments. Thomas Gotteslig, Alex Beltran, Dale Grissom, and Donald Mooney.

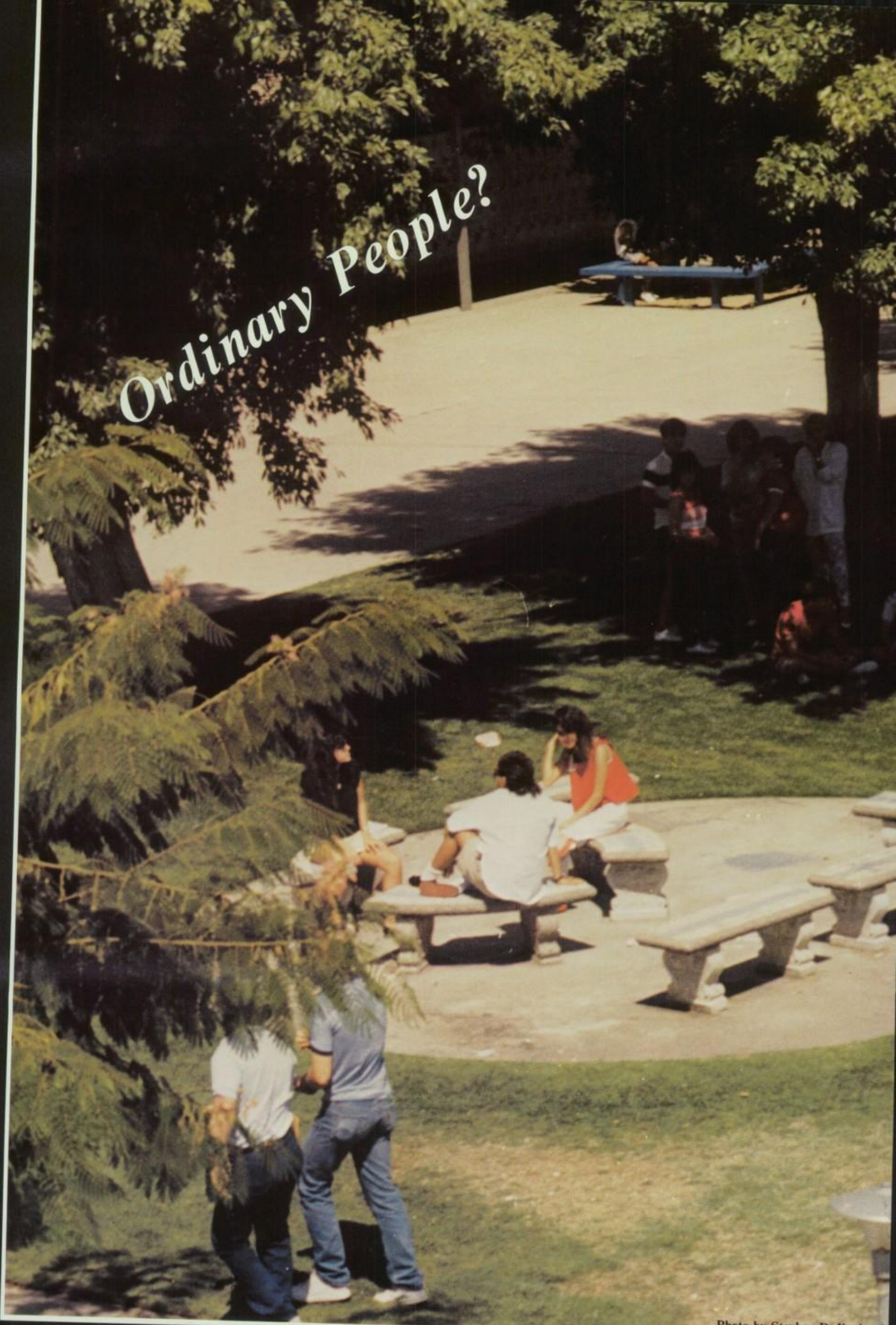




Top — Trick or Treat. The Atwater band dons a traditional mode of dress while marching in the Homecoming Parade. Above left — Mr. Dupertuis loses his bet with the band and, consequently, his beard. Above — Atwater Band members standing tall during halftime.

Bottom photos by David Castillo and Shaunna Klawitter.





Ordinary People?





### *Ordinary People?* by Terri Brown

*Would you call a person who thinks he's a Falcon, bear-hunt's, plays games during lunch, and worships a bird ordinary? Normal or not, that's your average Atwater High School student.*

*Every morning, the average student gets up, takes a shower, and brushes his teeth. While he eats his breakfast, he is doing the homework that he didn't finish the night before. He then takes the bus, walks, or drives to school.*

*Upon arrival at school, he rushes into the cafeteria to buy some donuts to eat during first period. The first three periods seem like six hours instead of three.*

*Lunchtime! Sometimes it was so hard for him to choose from all the good food available, that's if anyone would go so far as to call it food in the first place. A lot of students found some nice junior or senior to*

*take them to McDonalds, even though leaving campus wasn't allowed.*

*The last three periods of the day seem to go by a little faster. Maybe that's because he sleeps during class.*

*The bell rings and it's off to the Student Body Office to make some posters for the game.*

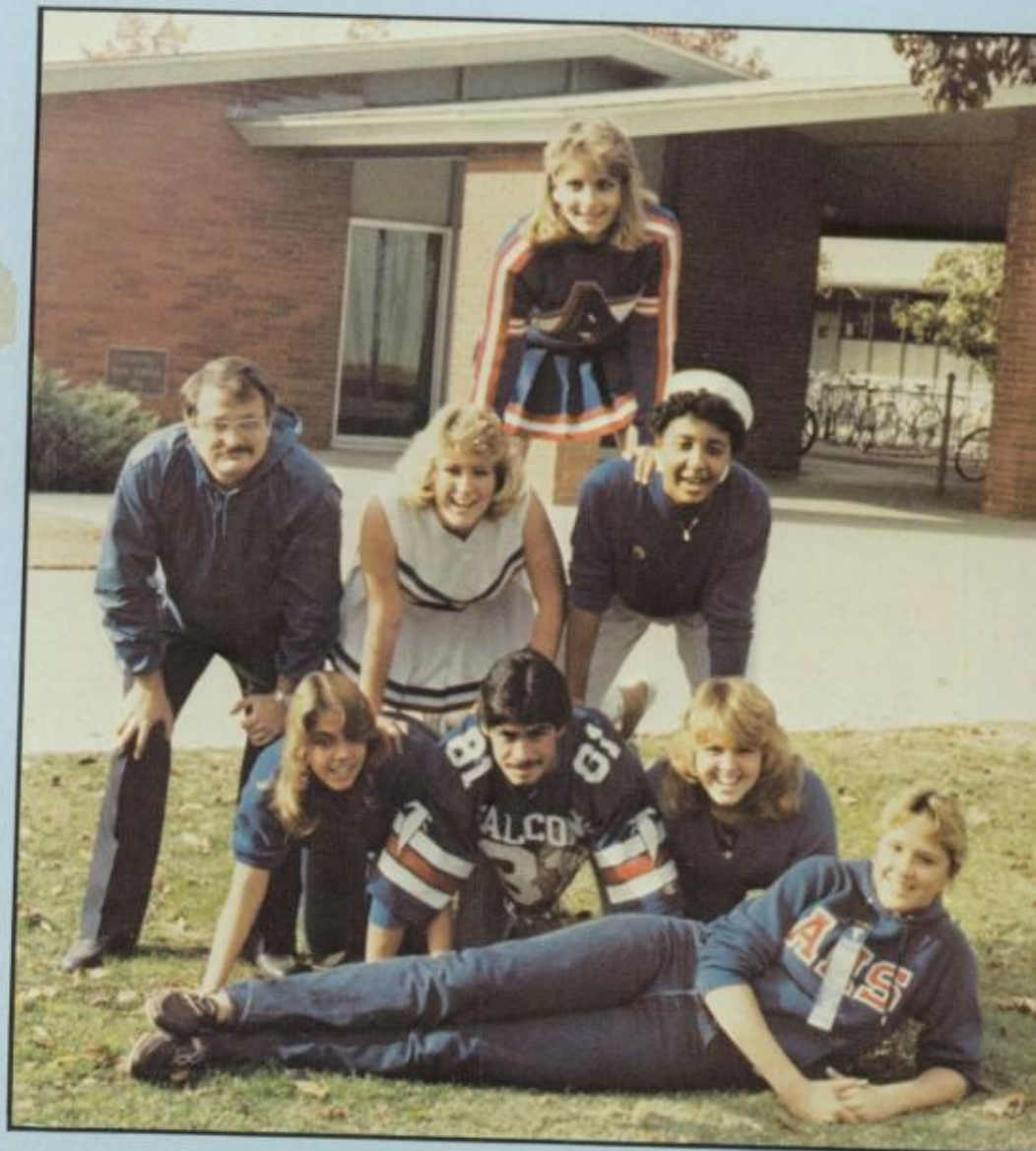
*After that, it's time to run home and eat so he isn't late for his F.C.A. meeting which lasts until about 9:30.*

*By the time he arrives home, he is so exhausted that his homework will just have to wait until tomorrow morning, while he's eating breakfast.*

*It's hard to realize how much a student does in a school year. There's school, and then school activities, and then homework. This is a process an Atwater student goes through every day. It sounds pretty impossible, but that's why we are the mighty blue and white.*



# Against All Odds



## Who's The Boss?

### Student Body Officers

President Paul O'Campo always had something to say and stood up for what he believed in. He was a member of the football team for four years and Freshman class president in 1983.

Vice-President of the Student Body, Noelle Allen was very active. She participated in the Academic Decathlon. Noelle was the only junior that was a Student Body Officer. In her spare time, Noelle worked in the Atwater Library.

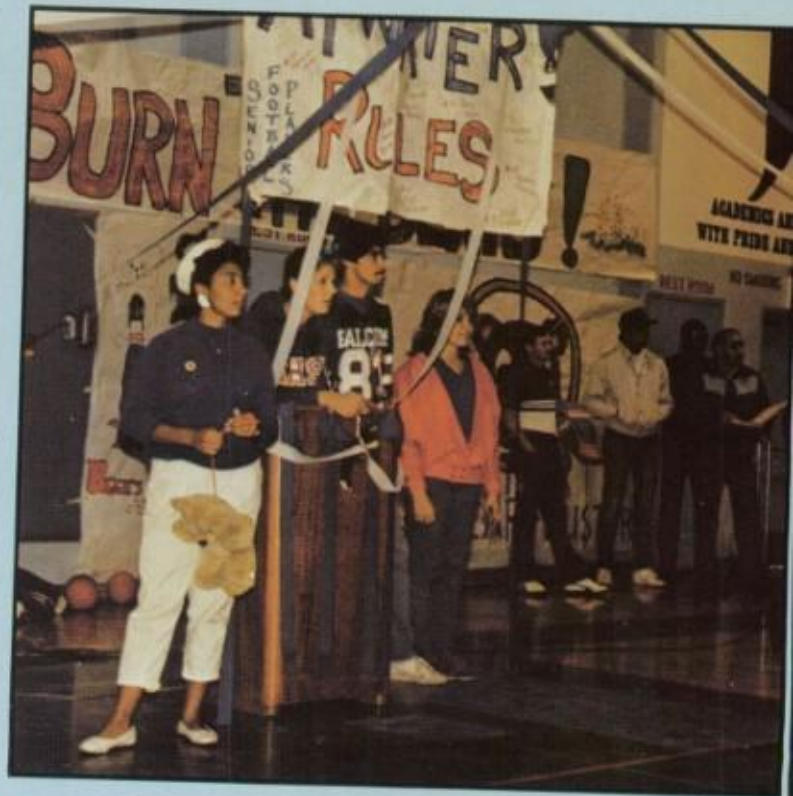
Treasurer Susan Krasko was very spirited. Besides being in Student Body, Susan was head cheerleader. Her senior year, Susan helped form a club called Inter-Act, a junior club of Rotary. Secretary Michelle Rascon

was an athletic officer. She was a four year veteran of both tennis and softball. In her spare time Michelle worked at Mr. Sibbs on the Merced Mall.

Rally Commissioner Miriam Phillips could at times be seen portraying school mascot, Freddie Falcon. Miriam was a swimmer and a water-polo player.

Director of Public Relations Terri Brown was also a Varsity Songleader and editor of the yearbook. She was also a member of F.C.A.

Director of Elections Mila Hoban, was Senior editor of the yearbook, and a two year veteran of the soccer team. Mila was also very active in Job's Daughters.



Top right — Unity is what it's all about. Mr. Honey and Student Body Officers: Susan Krasko, Terri Brown, Noelle Allen, Michele Rascon, Paul O'Campo, Mila Hoban, and Miriam Phillips build a pyramid to symbolize their unity. Above — Look at the spirit! Noelle Allen, Miriam Philips, Paul O'Campo, and Mila Hoban direct an activity at the Merced rally.

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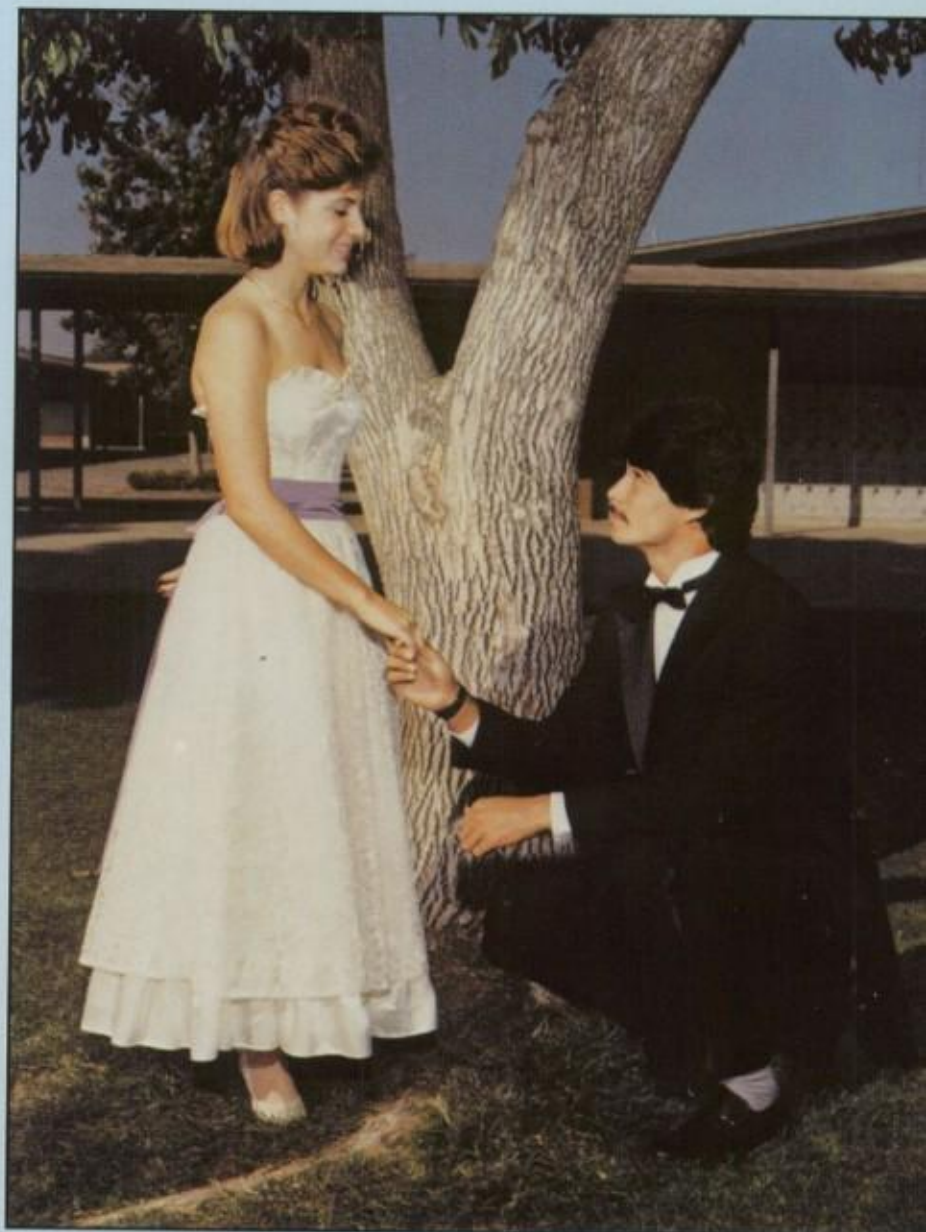
*Top left — Boo! Noelle Allen, Mr. Honey, Mila Hoban, Paul O'Campo, Terri Brown, and Miriam Phillips, look like their normal selves on Halloween. Top right — Ho-Hum. Mr. Honey and Noelle Allen on a normal day. Bottom left — Now, Mila is going to show everyone how to use the cash register. Mr. Honey, Mila Hoban, and Paul O'Campo are hard at work.*

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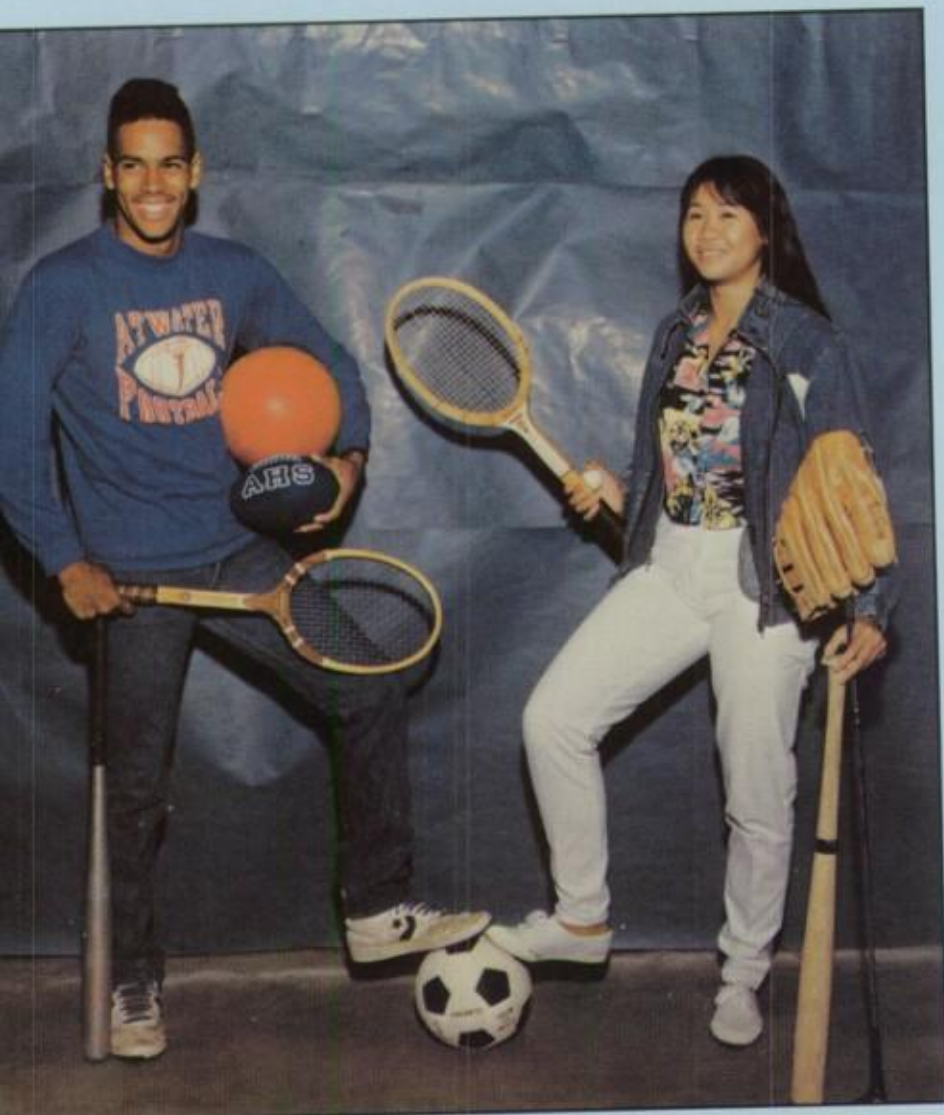
*What were the odds of being picked Best Looking? 418 to 1 were the odds that each senior had of being picked as one of the 14 senior superlatives.*



*Top — Best Looking, Michelle Dempsey and Paul O'Campo. Left — Most Likely to Succeed, Kristine Wetzel and Jon Derr. Above — Craziest, Matt Luis and Crystal Harris*







Top left — Most Athletic, Hugh Gary and Kraumas Howell. Above — Friendliest, Ricky Dietz and Lisa Tanner. Top right — Best Dressed, Erin Carlton and Dwaine Omyer. Right — Class Clowns, Nikol Clay and David Shankland.











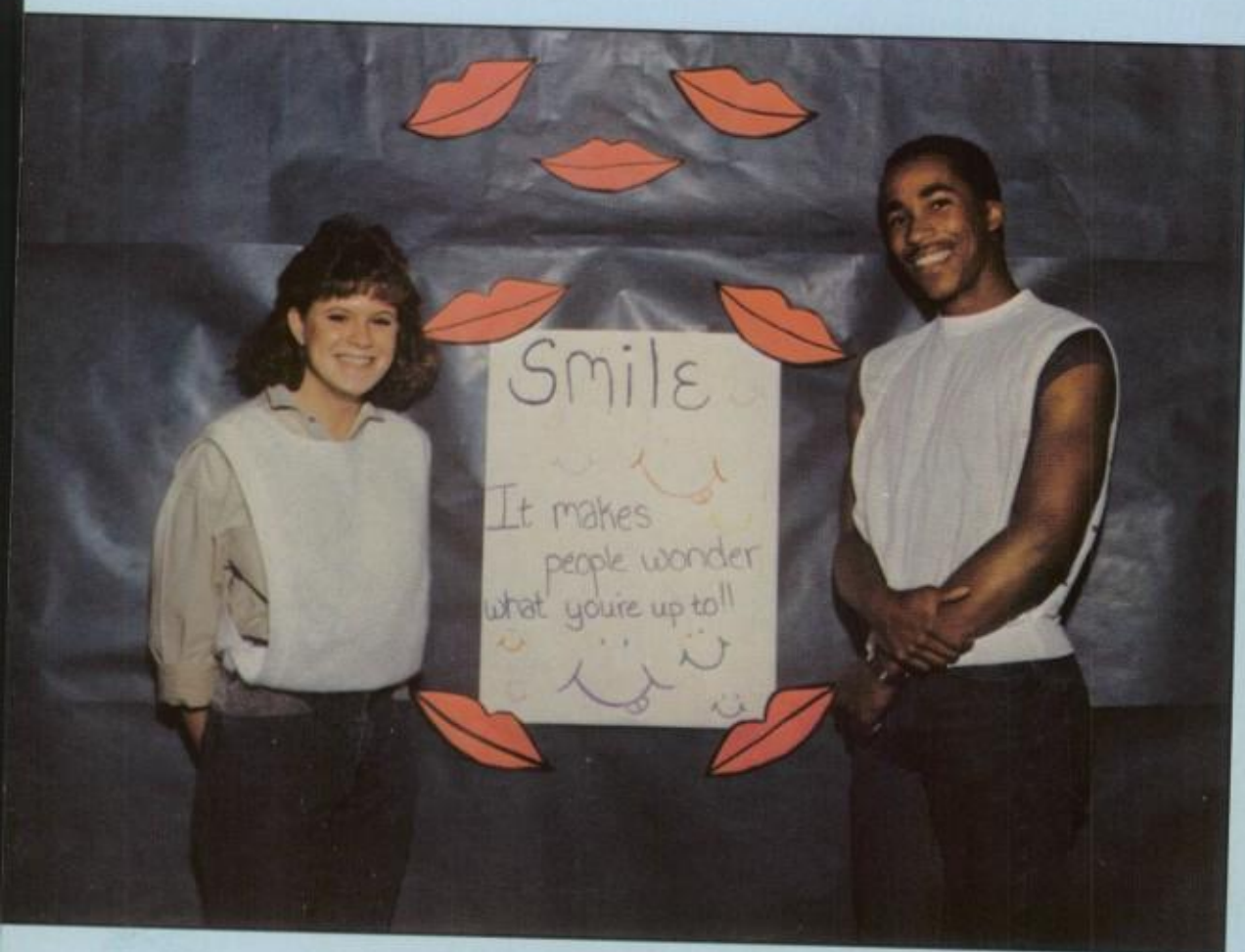


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Top left — Prettiest Smile, Diane Ogden and Deron Keller. Left — Sexiest Legs, Michele Rascon and BJ Jones. Top — Prettiest Eyes, Oliver Kesting and Brittany Rohrke. Above — Most Likely to Return, Michelle Gambetta and Mason McKellips.





Photo above and below by David Castillo



Top left — Shyest, Michelle Richter and Felix Trujillo.  
 Above — Most Spirited, Bill Burnham and Susan Krasko. Top right — Biggest Male Flirt, Cliff Collins.  
 Right — Biggest Female Flirt, Lori Cooper.



## *A Touch Of Class*



*Senior class officers, Holly Brown, Vice-President; Cheryl Van, ASBG; Sonja Whitten, President; Jeb Saetiew, Secretary; Kelly Ryckmen, Treasurer.*



## Against All Odds by Mila Hoban

What are the odds of being a senior? For some students it's pretty slim. Many students go through lots of changes before they make it to the top.

For instance, look what it was like being a freshman. Everyone knew you were the baby of the bunch, and you were so afraid that a senior might find out that you were a freshman and show you the nearest trash can.

Being a sophomore was a little different. Not the baby of the bunch anymore, you could act just as dumb as a freshman and not get canned.

Being a junior was a different story. They thought they were bad and had the right to think that they were as great as the seniors.

Being a senior you really have to go through a lot. Odds are that most won't make it to the top. Remember that you will have to go against more odds to get where you want to be in life. So do the best that you can!

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Cheryl Amos  
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Pamela Anderson

Wendy Armstrong  
Rosalie Atkinson  
Jesus Ayala

Kenneth Babcock  
Edward Bachman  
Scott Bailey

Maria Baldrige  
Tracy Barney  
Dianna Bates

Keith Bebout  
Kathy Becker  
Pamela Bernard



*Setting stride. Ginger Connolly comes down the track of recovery after knee surgery.*

*Jeff Bills  
Christine Bird  
Althea Black  
James Blackwood  
Christopher Borrego*

*Gretchen Brigaman  
Hugo Brizuela  
Susan Bronersky  
Jessica Brooks  
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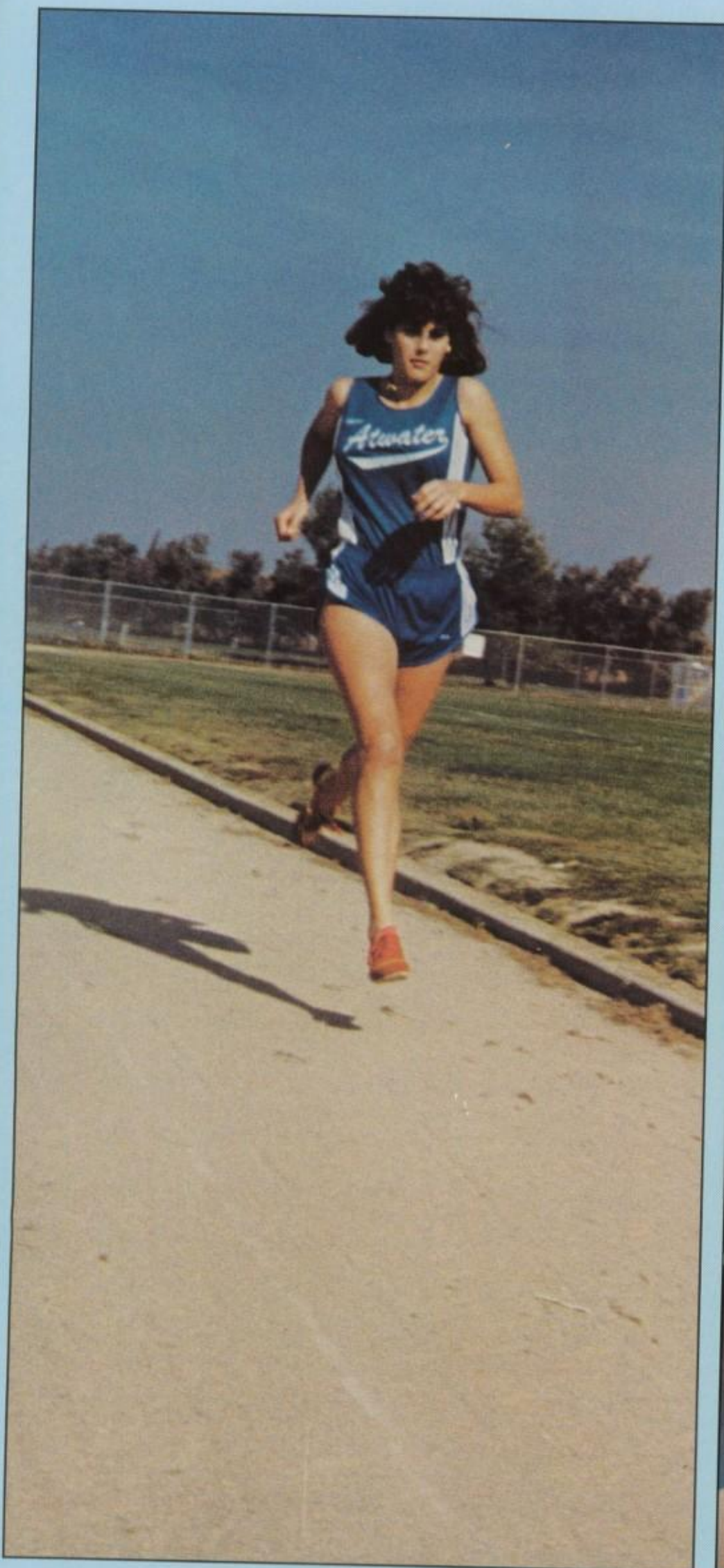
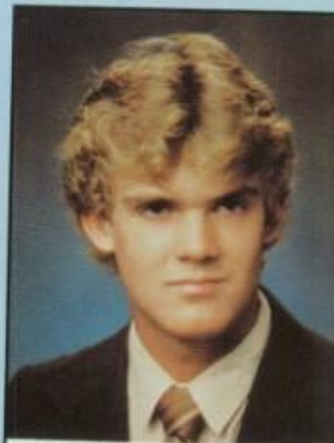


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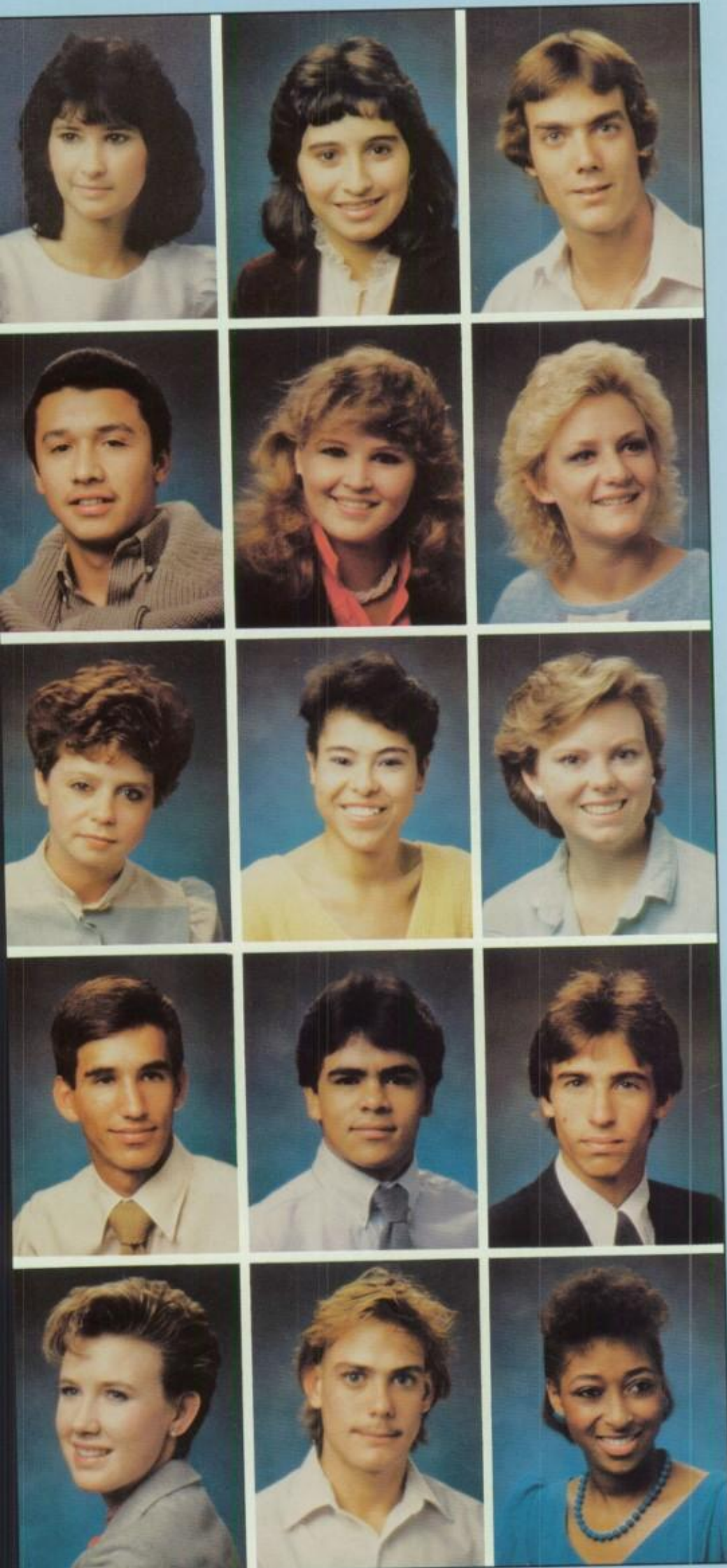




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Erin Carlton

Paula Carmona  
Kristine Casey  
Jo Ann Cedillo  
Ramiro Ceja  
James Chambers

Jeff Chambers  
Dawn Chandler  
Rhonda Chandler  
Scott Chatham  
Nikol Clay



## The Come Back Kid by Julie Tripp

"Will Ginger Connolly, 'Queen of the 800,' be able to defend her title?" At first it seemed the answer to this question would be "no," but after successful knee surgery it definitely looked like a come back "Yes!"

Ginger started having knee problems at the end of August, which was the beginning of cross country season. The pains in her knee got progressively worse until her parents took her to a doctor in Merced who referred her to the Center for Sport's Medicine. There it was decided that Ginger would have arthroscopic surgery. There was too much cartilage around her knee and the doctors needed to shave off the excess.

Arthroscopic surgery was better than most because it left few scars. Ginger was left with only two small scars on her left knee. There were no complications and she regained 100% use of her leg.

Only a month after surgery Ginger was back to riding her bike and swimming, but everything had to be done in moderation. "My doctor was pleased with my progress," Ginger said. "I missed running a lot," she continued, and was back running by the 22 of Oct. Ginger was also able to play basketball and to run her favorite race, the 800.

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## Senior Singing Sensation by Robert Cook

At Homecoming it was stars and stripes for Suzan Zanutto. Feeling very privileged Suzan sang the "National Anthem" for the Homecoming game. It is very difficult to sing the National Anthem, especially in the cold night air in front of thousands of people, but she never folded under the pressure.

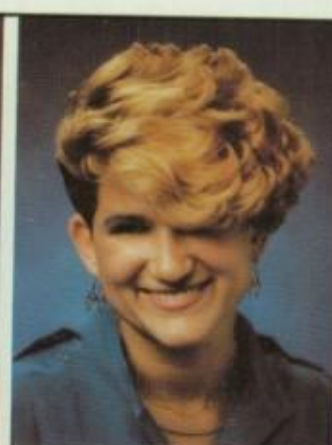
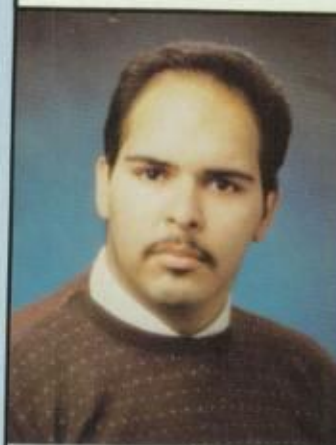
Asked by the Student Body Officers to start off the varsity game, she took the job feeling that it was a privilege. "It may help me in the music field which I would like to get into but, probably won't."

Due to her fine job that night she was asked by Judge Brown to sing for the local V.F.W. in the spring.

Suzan was the music director for E.C.A. two years. Her favorite song at the time was "Perodical" by Amy Grant.

Photo by Stephen D. Kuykendall

Singing proud. Suzan Zanutto shows the style that astonished the crowd at Homecoming as she sang the "National Anthem".

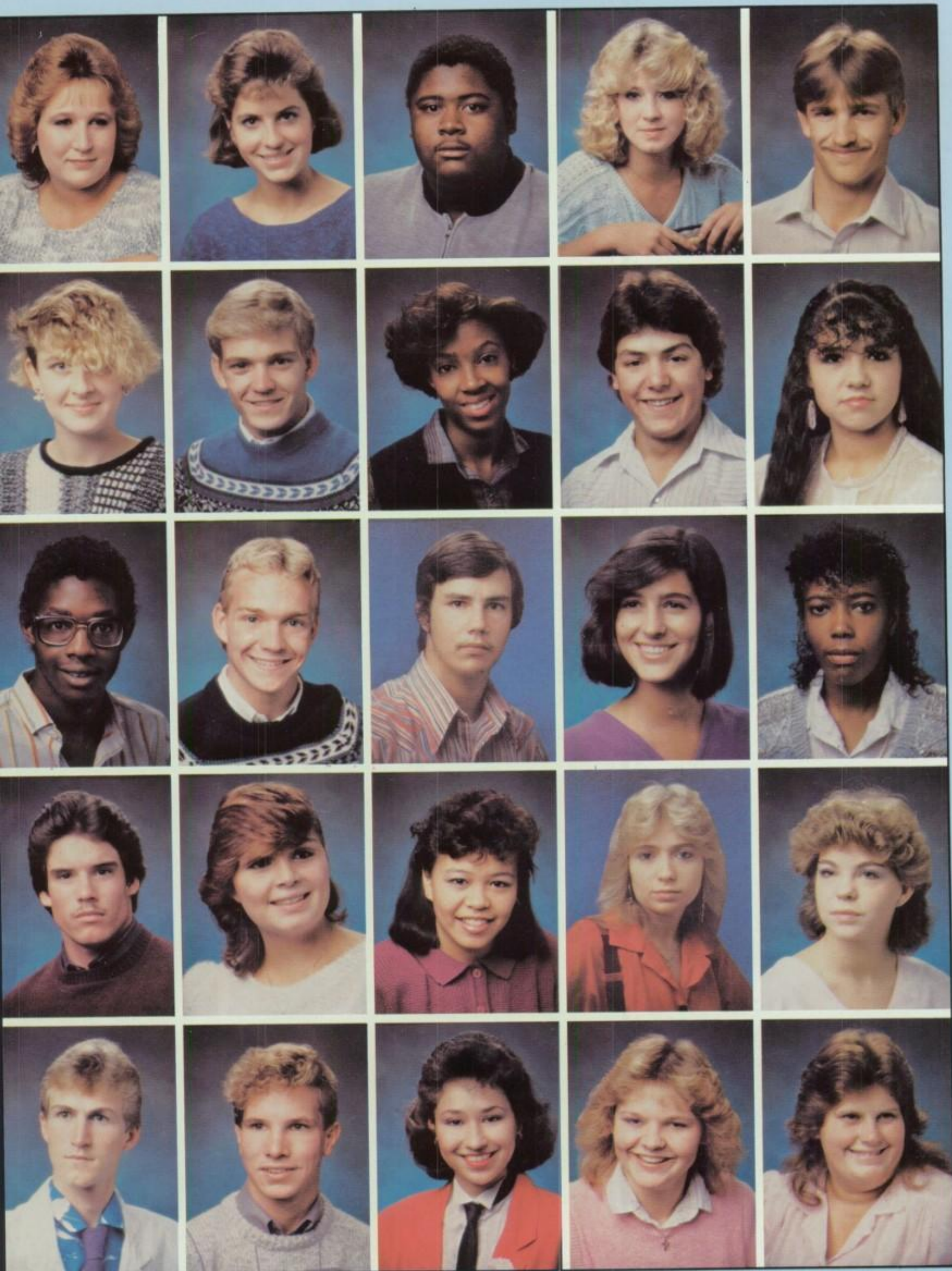


Ruben Colacion  
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Ginger Connolly

Lori Cooper  
Scott Cortinas  
Alberto Covarrubias

Bobbie Cox  
Rick Dame  
Carl D'Antonio





Deborah Dautrich  
Nicola Davies  
Giggie Davis  
Wayne Davis  
Wayne Delanghe

Michelle Dempsey  
Javey Derr  
Jon Derr  
Danelle Diaz  
Erick Dietz

Irik Dobbins  
Jaeda Dove  
Richard Dugan  
Rhonda Dupont  
Maria Duran

Lori Dusin  
Danny Dutra  
Deborah Dyer  
Janet Edwards  
Janet Esau

Milford Esau  
Maria Estrada  
Angelique Evans  
Donna Fisher  
Eva Fitzgerald



## Who Gary? by Kenny Dudley

If you ever had a hard time remembering names don't feel bad, because you're not alone. Try to think of something witty to say about it. Something such as "Hey you," for Hugh.

Hugh, like other athletes, was known for his great athletic ability. Of course a quarterback must have some kind of ability, and quite a bit of responsibility as well. "Being in control I have to have knowledge of other players' positions and assignments," admitted Hugh. This indicated the amount of pressure there was on him during the season and the fact that he was very aware of the responsibility for the success of the team as well. "It's just like playing any other position but there is more pressure on me to play well," Hugh continued.

Hugh first started playing Football in fifth grade with a

team called the Sooners. He said that when he was younger, he always thought about playing.

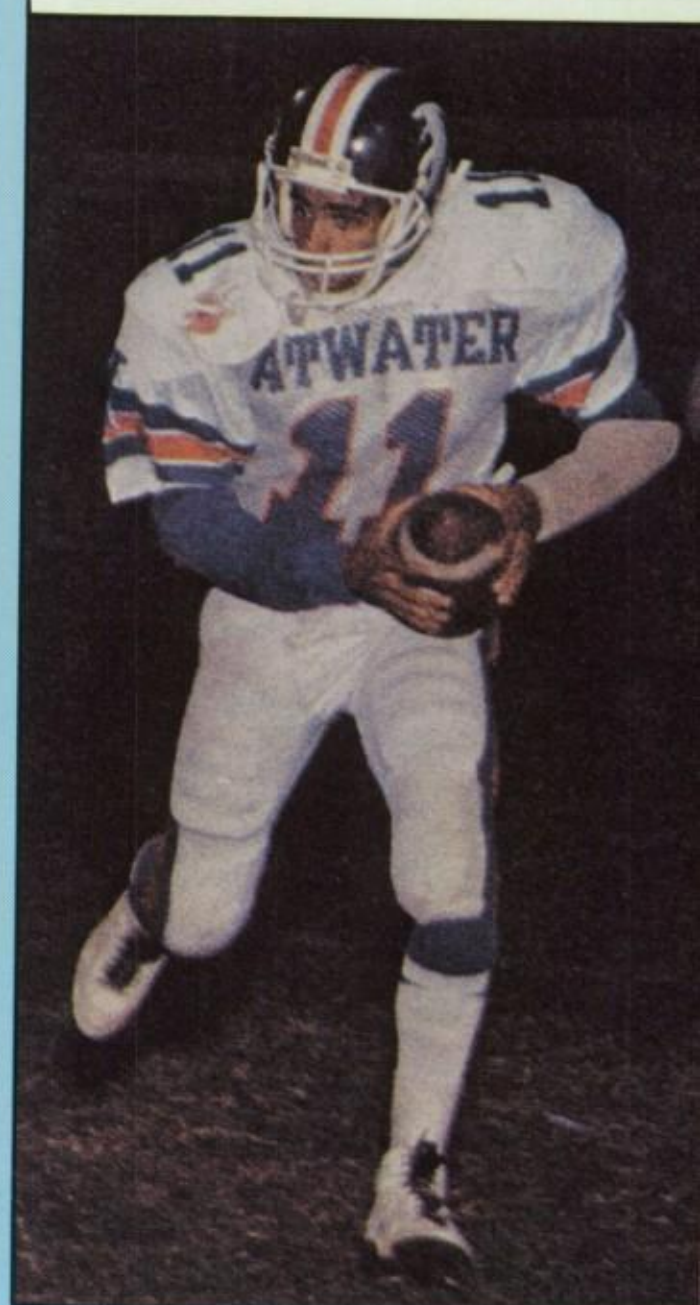
To the coaching staff he was a valued member of the team. He played many different positions. As a sophomore he was a punter, a punt returner, and a running back as well as a back up quarterback. On defense he played major roles such as a free safety, and a right and left cornerback.

Being an athlete usually means that a person is active in more than one sport, just as Hugh was. In Basketball, with his quickness, his ball handling skills, and his great leaping ability, he was placed in the guard position. In baseball, he used his speed to play out in left field.

There was no real limit to the things he could do as an athlete, and students on campus knew exactly "Who" Hugh was.

Mary Fournier  
Vickie Freitas

Daniel French  
Denise Friesen



Where are you? Hugh Gary looks for an open receiver to hurdle a pass to.

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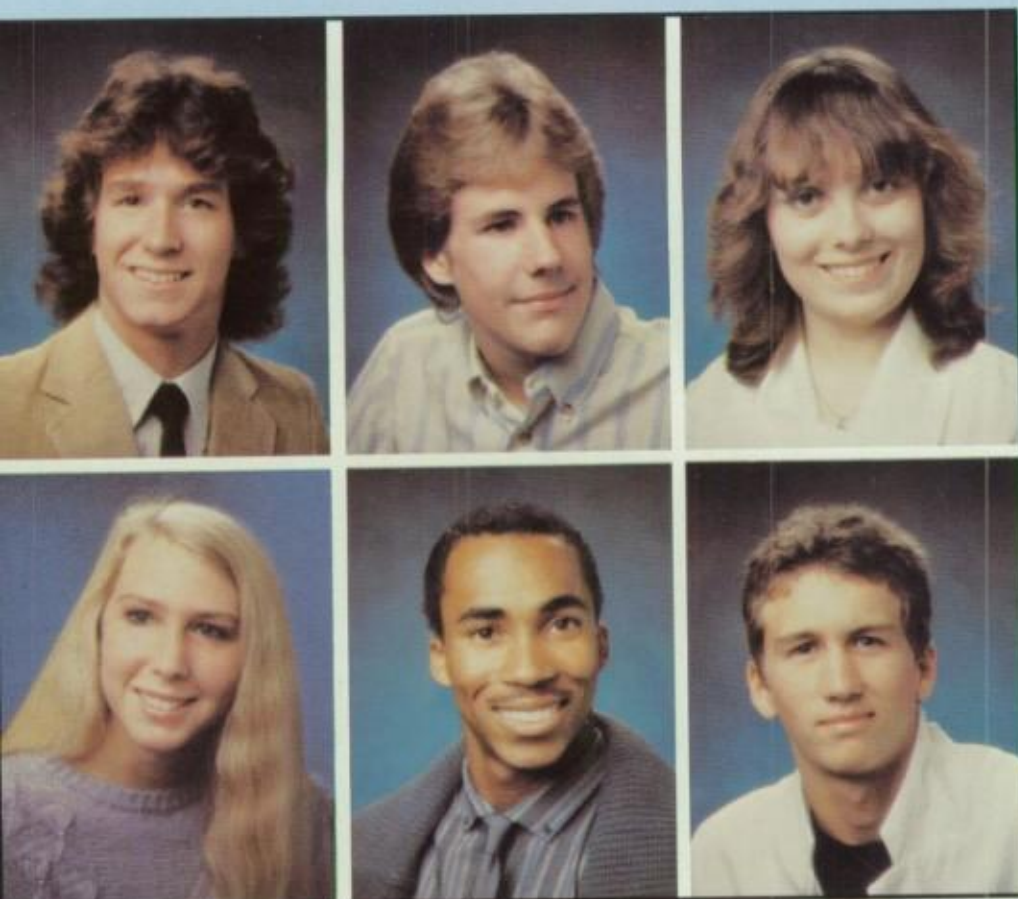
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*Tonya Holroyd*  
*Patrick Hoover*

*Amber Houska*  
*Kruamas Howell*  
*Samuel Hunt*  
*Tony Hurtado*  
*Jorge Iturbe*

*Jacob Jacobs*  
*Careen Jenness*  
*James Johnson*  
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*Heather Johnston*





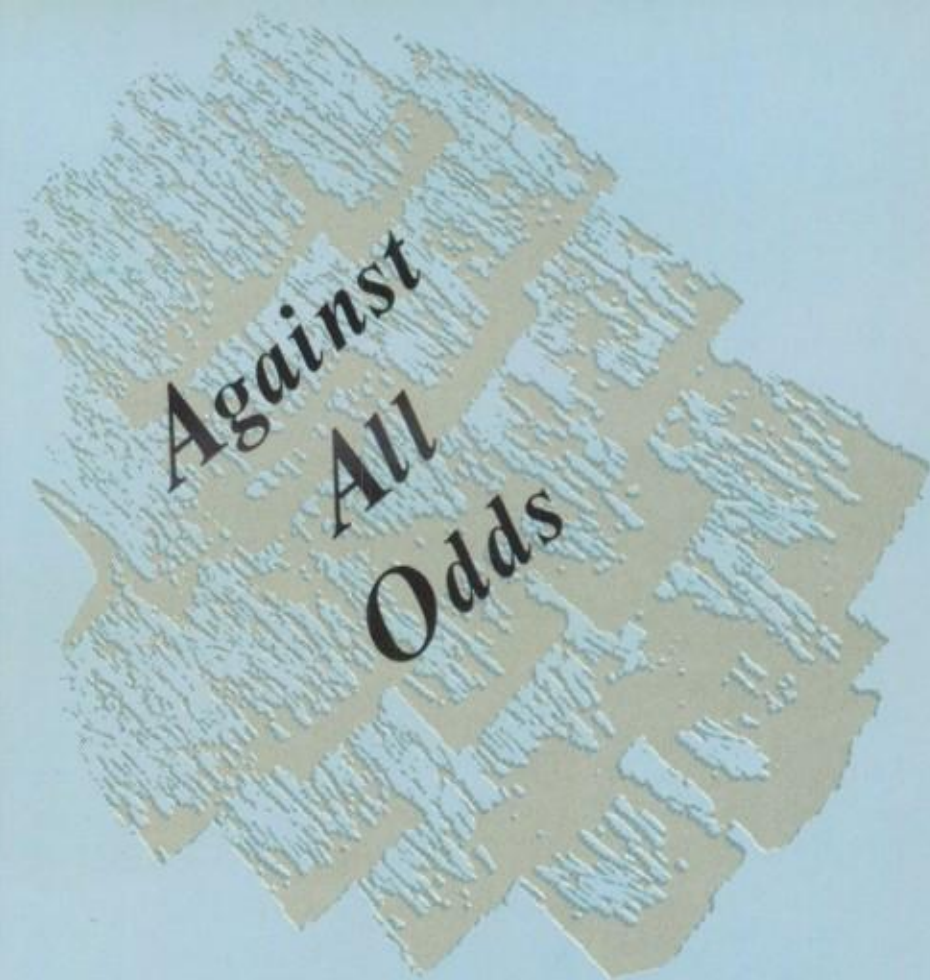
Blandford Jones  
Veronica Jones

Michael Kane  
Deron Keller

Kelly Kepschull  
Oliver Kesting

*Bible in hand. Lisa Tanner prepares for the FCA meeting later that night.*

Photo by Mila Hoban



### *FCA a Way of Life by Missy Hoban*

*Lisa Tanner was a major part of the girl's FCA Bible study and contributed much to the group sessions.*

*Involved in FCA since her freshman year, she started attending regularly the first meeting of that year. Lisa replied, "FCA helps give good guidelines and conditions."*

*Christian fellowship appeals to Lisa the most, but she also enjoys the fun times involved with FCA. "Both the Bible studies and the meetings with activities have their advantages," stated Lisa, "but you get more out of the Bible studies."*

*Lisa felt most of the membership came from the girls in the grades of sophomore and junior, but that there was a large membership from the guys also.*

*The guy's and girl's Bible studies are kept separately, but Lisa commented, "It is almost necessary because sometimes the guys and even girls won't open up in front of fellow students (of the opposite sex)."*

*In Lisa's years as a member of FCA she has attended two conferences and believed that one week of camp was worth a whole year of FCA.*



## Does Hard Work Really Pay Off? by Terri Brown

"Hi-ho, Hi-ho, to U.O.M. we go, cuz F.F.A.'s the only way, hi-ho, hi-ho." Greg Cardey and Todd Rinkenberger, friends since the first grade, were two of Atwater's most productive ag members. They both planned on attending Merced College ("University of Merced" as it was so often called) for two years and then Todd was going to Fresno State and Greg was going to Cal Poly of San Luis Obispo.

Both Greg and Todd had been in F.F.A. since their freshman year.

Greg was a chapter officer and president of the California Junior Shorthorn Association. He participated in contests that related to F.F.A. throughout the year. He exhibited his cattle at fairs such as the California State Fair and the Junior Grand Nationals. "Our chapter advisors have always said that you only get out of F.F.A. what you give in to it," Greg said when asked why he was in F.F.A.

Todd stated, "I wanted to develop my agricultural leadership abilities," so he joined F.F.A.

Todd was F.F.A. President and Sectional Secretary.

It's off to Merced College for two years, and then Todd plans on transferring to Fresno State and majoring in Ag Business and minoring in Dairy Science.

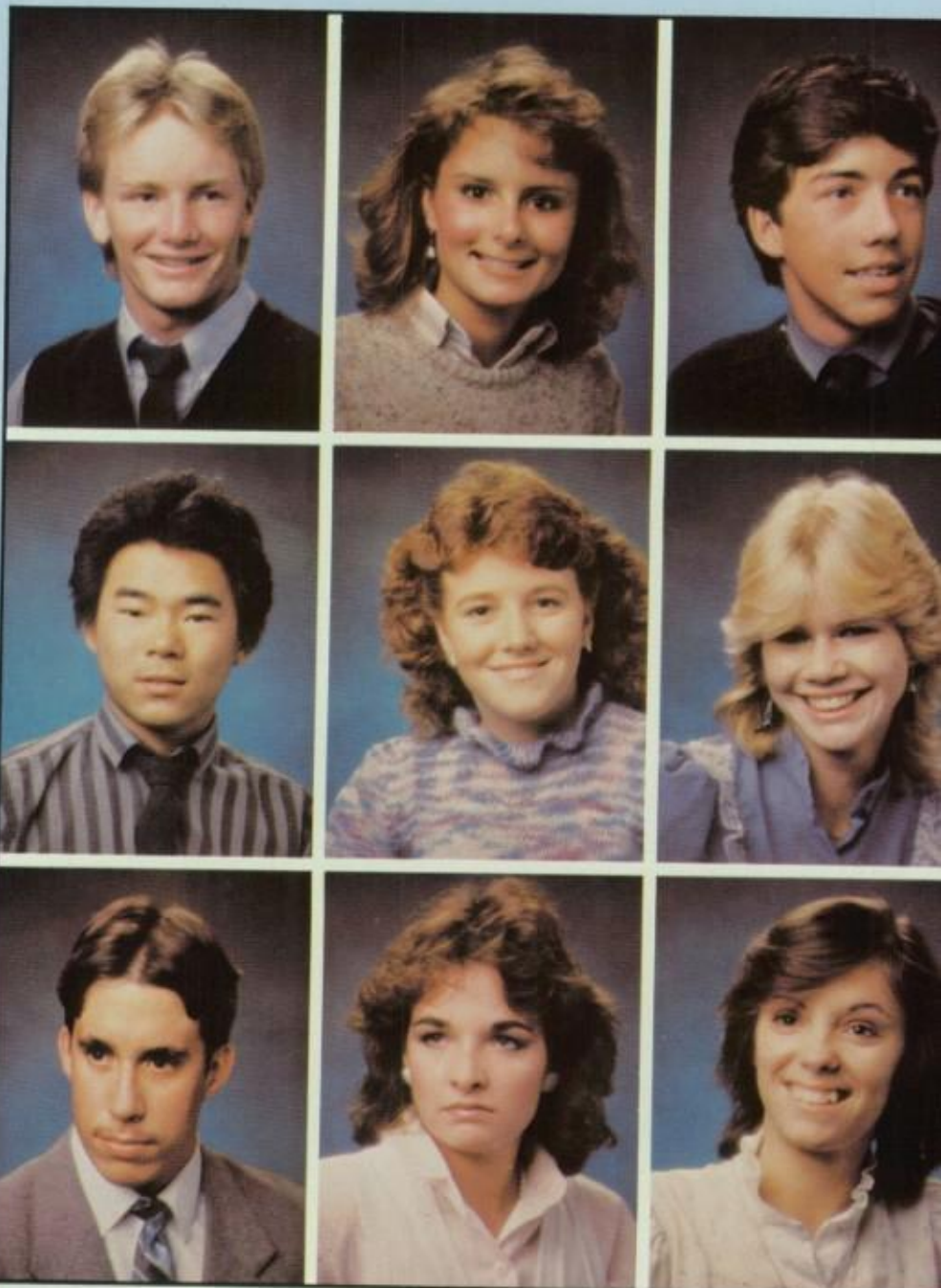
If it's true that hard work pays off, these two guys were going to get paid a lot!

Against  
All  
Odds

Rick Keyes  
Su Kim  
James Kishel

Susan Krasko  
Stephanie Kruppa  
Kelly Kulbeth

Steven D. Kuykendall  
Bonnie Langenegger  
Kari Larson



Above — Chow time. Greg Cardey is making sure that his cows get plenty of nutrition. Right — Todd Rinkenberger officiates at the annual FFA auction.

Photos by Stephen D. Kuykendall and David Castillo.



Michael Lawson  
Lisa Leabig  
Chao Lee  
Angela Leggett  
Glenda Lewis

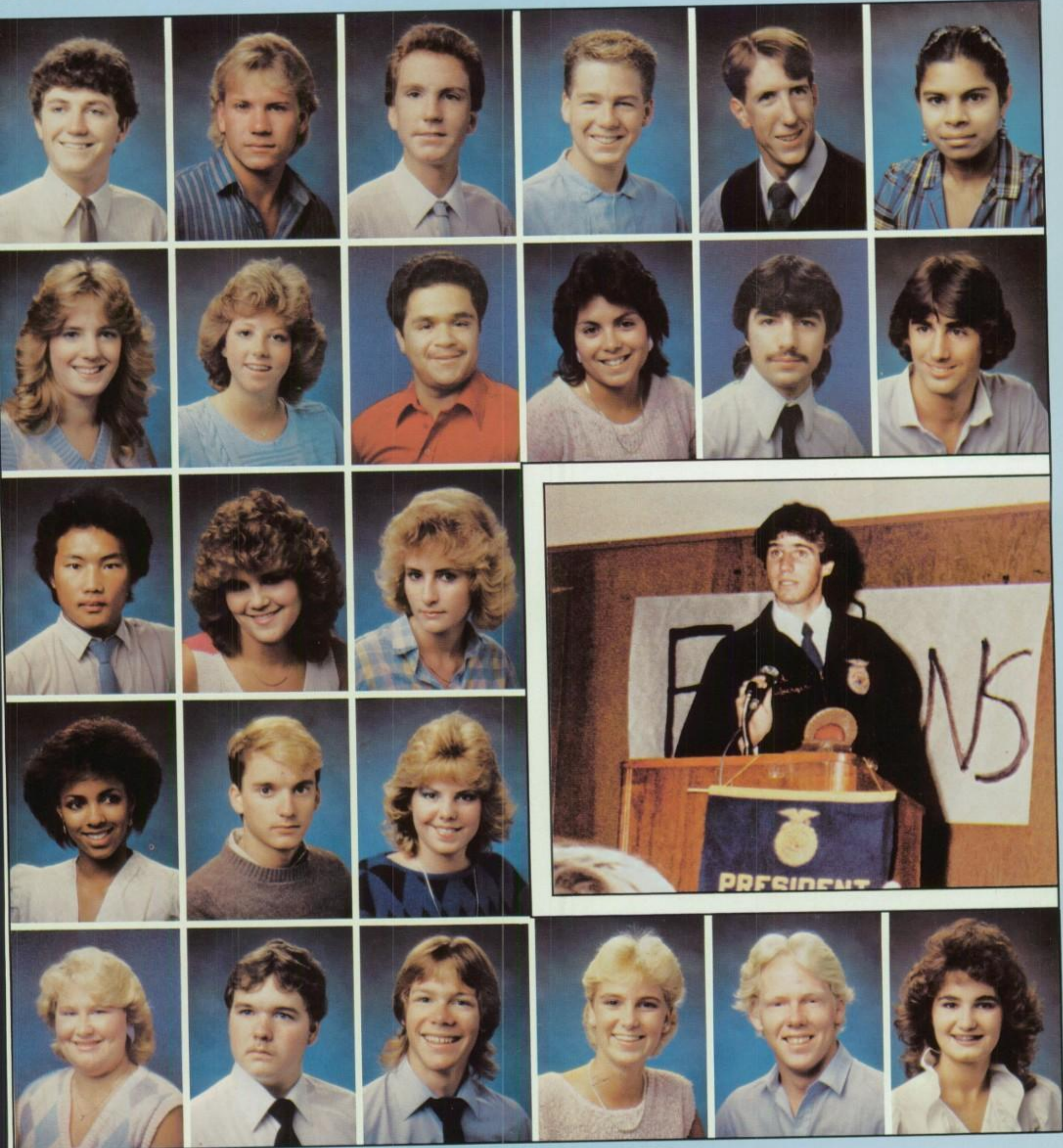
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Julie Livria  
Rayzina Loewen  
Jeff Logan  
Mike Long

Scott Longton  
Lupe Lopez  
Karen Loupos  
Joanne Luciano  
David Lueck

Matt Luis  
Tina Lugo  
Christina Lung

Damon Lustre  
Manuel Maciel  
Billy Magar

Baldish Mahal  
Thomas Makenzie  
Tracy Mancebo





# Against All Odds

## Country Rides Make Special Times by Debbie Dautrich

Horseback riding was a favorite hobby of senior Faedra Brown, who had been riding since she was in elementary school.

Faedra said that, "I love to ride when I have things to think about and riding is the way to get away from everything." Some people like to go on long country rides to get their mind off of problems. And this was Faedra's way of doing that. Faedra continued, "I also like to go riding to spend some special time with my boyfriend, Mason."

When riding her horse Ace, she usually rode bareback. She loved to ride through the orchards in the country and along the canal banks. Often when she wanted someone's company she rode into town.

There were many reasons why Faedra liked to ride. "The reason I really like to ride is to get away from my everyday routine." Another reason was she liked to get away from the noisy city life and into the country for a nice quite ride on her horse.

Faedra took two to three hours when she went riding, due to the fact that she had to walk out into the pasture, get the horse, bring him in, and brush him down.



Sonja Mann  
Ismael Martinez  
Tammy Mantz

Melissa Mazuelos  
Dennis McCabe  
Mark McCutchen

Mason McKellips  
Karri McMurry  
Mark Mechanic

*Anticipation. Faedra Brown and her horse Ace share a moment before starting on a country ride.*

Photo by David Castillo





*Kristen Mefford  
Gidget Mello  
Ruben Mena*

*Mike Mendes  
Steve Milani  
Danny Mitchell  
Weylin Manthe  
Dominique Moore*

*Adrianne Morauske  
Deanna Morgan  
John Morris  
Ronald Moss  
Dawn Munden*

*Victor Munn  
George Myers  
Jim Nabholz  
Jeff Nagano  
Cindy Nicholson*

*Gurinder Nijjar  
Maria Nogola  
Robert Nunes  
Paul O'Campo  
Diane Ogden*



## Four Years of Spirit By Mila Hobban

"How funky is your Falcon? How loose is your goose?" Nikol Clay sure knew during her four years as a cheerleader when she showed the crowd how to do the "Funky Falcon."

When she tried out in the eighth grade for freshmen cheer, she was surprised that she made it, because she was pretty nervous trying out. Then, after finding out she had made the squad, she felt pretty special because she was an Atwater High School cheerleader.

The first freshman game she cheered at seemed to have been a flop. Five people showed up to watch the game and she was so nervous, she felt like they all knew that she had messed up a couple of times.

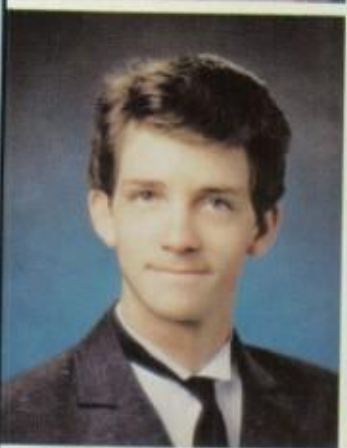
"I kind of feel important because I'm representing the school, and it takes dedication," Nikol explained of her four years as a cheerleader. Now that she has cheered for so long, she still feels scared when she goes out on the field. But, after relaxing and getting involved with the game and with the support of the crowd, her spirit seems to come alive.

She loved to cheer and Nikol admitted that "At times I may not have done my best, but I sure have done a good share of supporting the teams." To her, cheering is a big honor. It's not just wearing a skirt and being a big cheerleader. It takes dedication, support, and promoting spirit.

Renee Oliver  
Dwayne Omyer  
Delinda Osborn  
Kari Ott  
Chima Parm

Rhonda Paschall  
Rika Pelton  
Michelle Peek  
Elizabeth Perez  
Ferman Perez

Eyleen Peterson  
Miriam Phillips  
Yoop Payo Piecuch  
Jimmy Pitcock  
Rhonda Plummer



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Candra Pomeranke  
Charles Post  
Donovan Preston

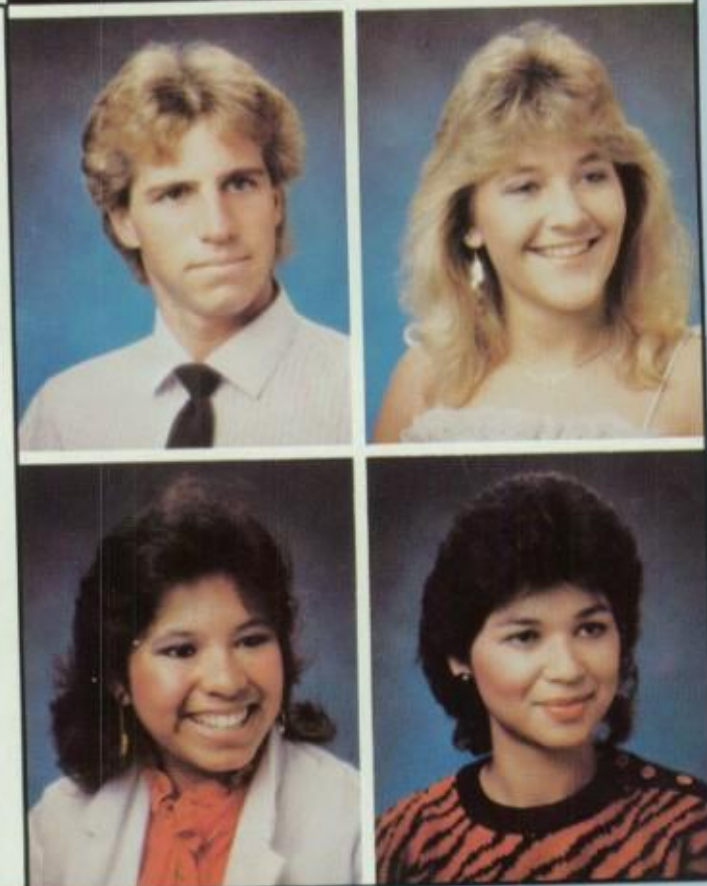
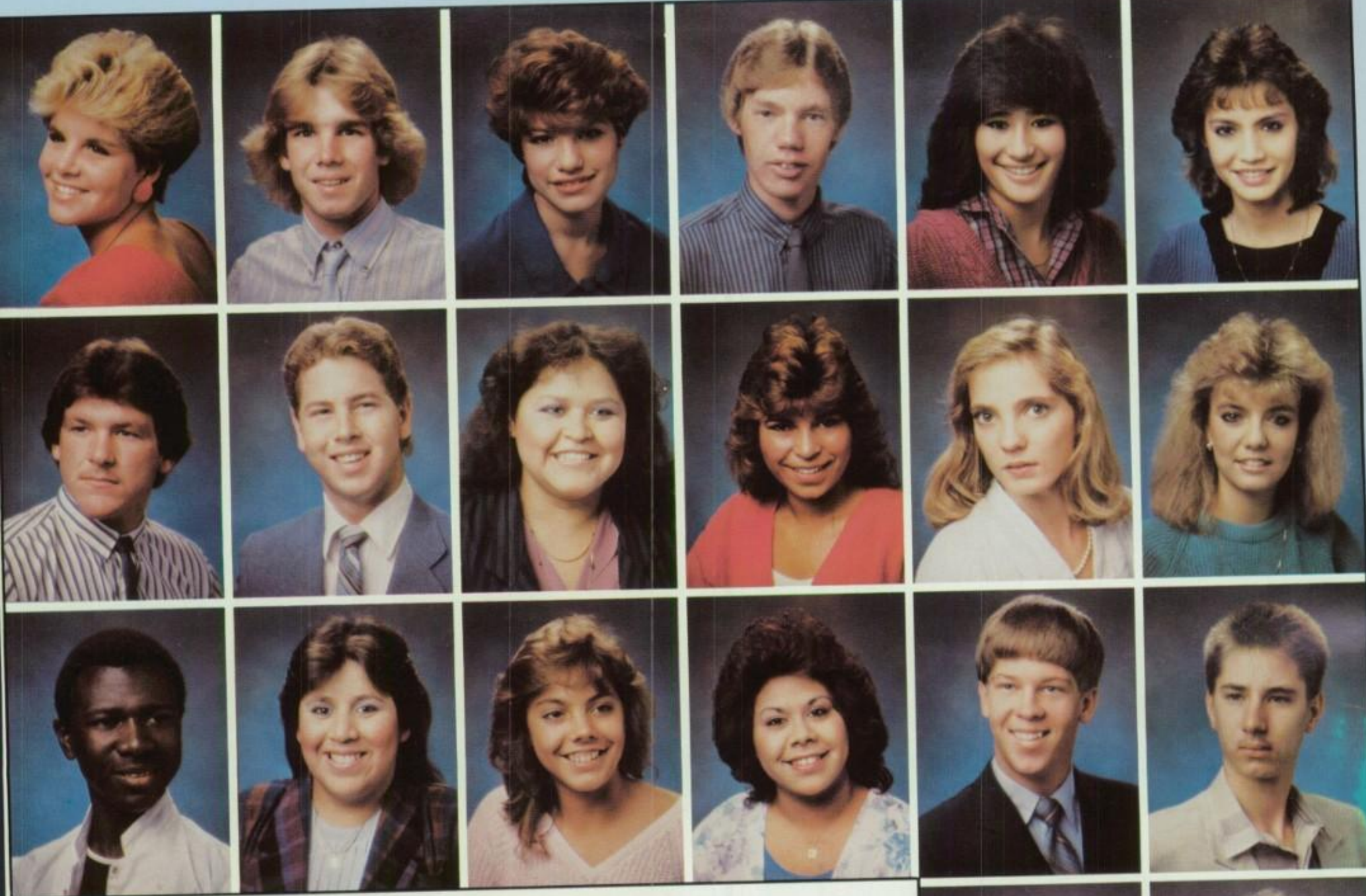
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Yale Pruett  
Clara Ramos

Lucy Ramos  
Margarita Ramos  
Michele Rascon

Michael Reese  
Liz Reyes  
Irene Reyna

Michelle Richter  
Janet Rickard  
Brian Riise  
Todd Rinkenberger  
Joanne Rivera

Michelle Rivera  
Melissa Robert  
Jay Roberts  
Valorie Robinson  
Teresa Robles



Surrounded! Nikol Clay is surrounded by her collection from four years of cheerleading.



# Against All Odds

## *Student at Atwater High Models for GQ Magazine by Karen Loupos*

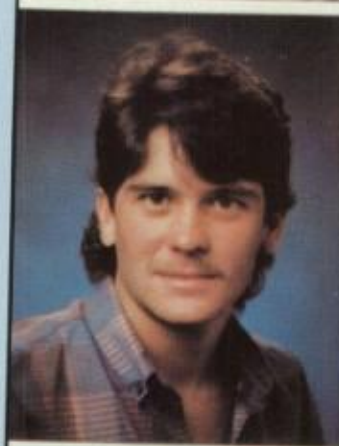
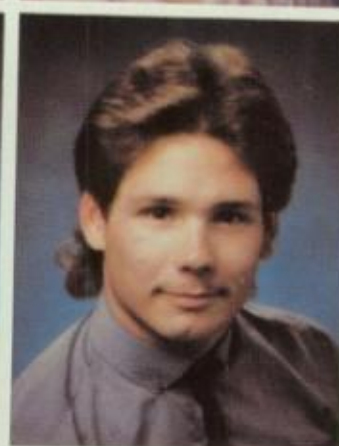
*Keith Bebout, a new student at Atwater High started modeling for GQ magazine at the end of May 1985 in Columbus, Ohio. He modeled for Zone Macarski and Murray Stevens.*

*Most of his help and support came from his ex-girlfriend in Ohio, Angela Roberts. Keith wasn't really interested in modeling until he was asked. He moved to California to experience new schools and perhaps model there.*

*He earned \$56 dollars every three hours and worked 6½ hours a day. Most of the clothes he modeled were beach clothes, downwear, and undergarments with prices ranging from \$30 dollars to \$300 dollars. He received discounts on the clothes he modeled.*

*Keith also traveled to Italy for wrestling and picked up some ideas about modeling and took them back to Ohio with him.*

*Keith said that he learned a lot from modeling and he stated, "It's better to look good than to feel good."*

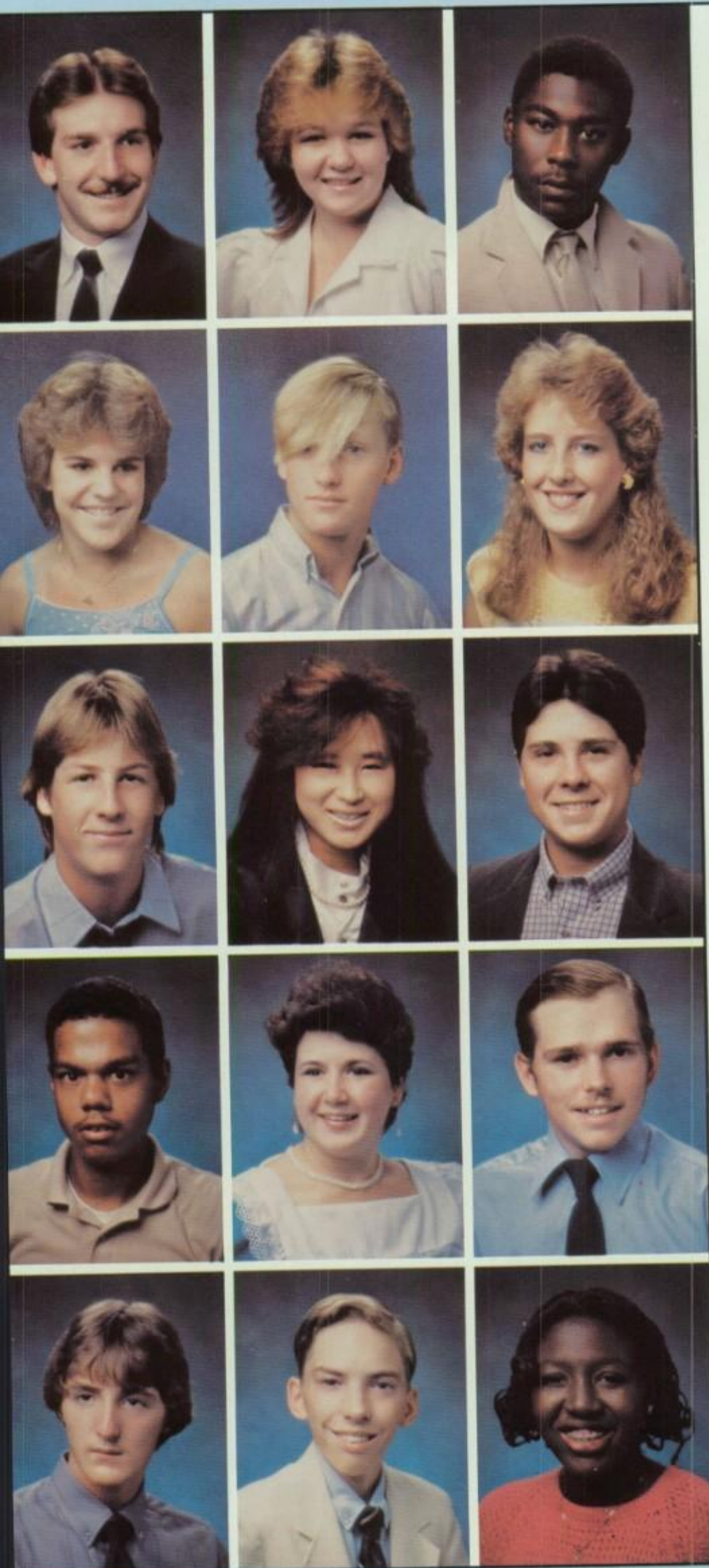


*Anna Rodriguez  
Dean Rohde  
Brittany Rohrke  
Terry Rolfe  
Carol Romine*

*Carmen Romo  
Danny Ruby  
Ramon Ruiz  
Kelly Ryckmen  
Siriporn Saetiew*

*Sherriene Sagon  
Thanacha Salaswat  
Niel Salinas  
Vanessa Salone  
Randal Sarmento*

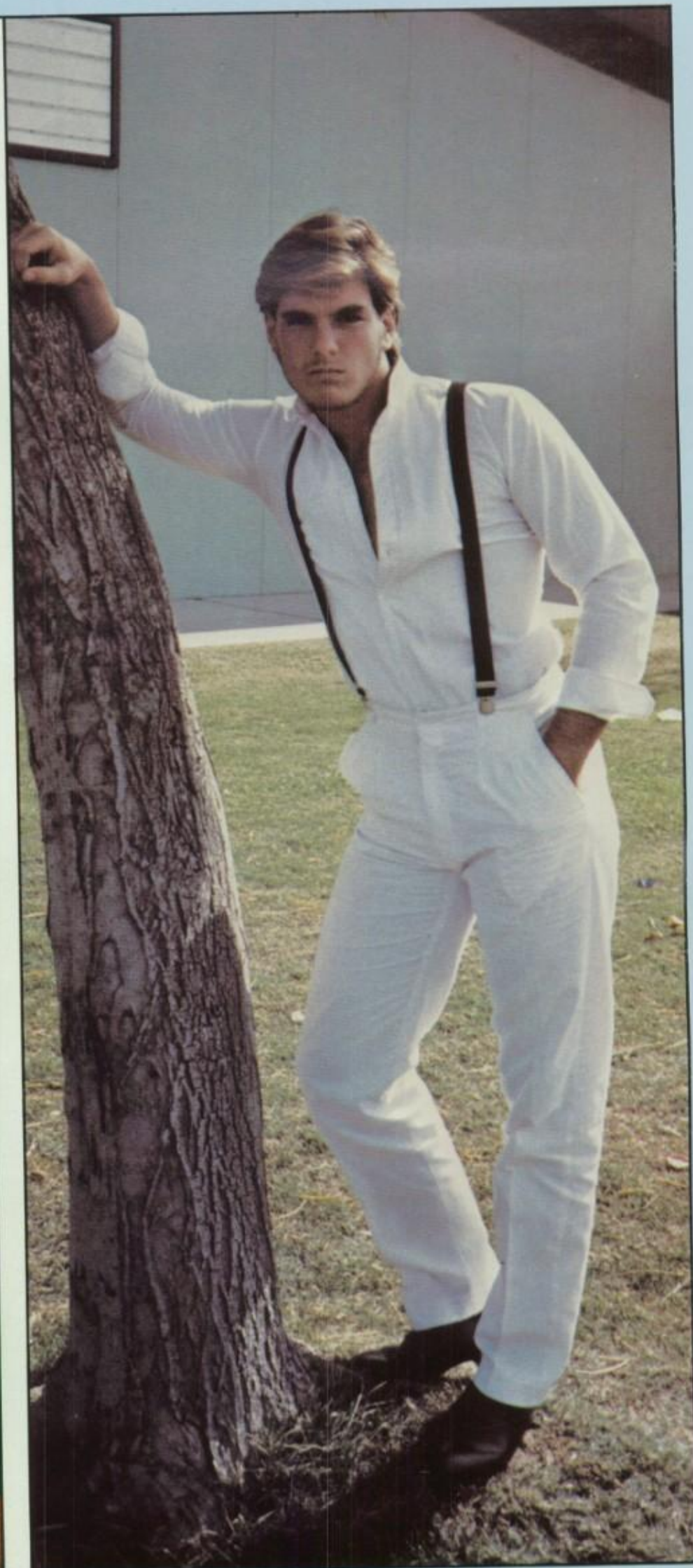




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Lisa Schiavo  
Roy Schmidt  
Adrian Scott  
Donnie Self

Kim Shafer  
David Shankland  
Arima Shoko  
Edna Silva  
Robert Simons

Tim Simmons  
Amy Smith  
Daniel Smith  
Elvern Smith  
Satoria Smith



*Money for nothing. Keith Bebout strikes a pose to illustrate the modeling style for which he was paid so well.*

Photo by Karen Petersen



## Why Atwater High? by Julie Tripp

Why would anyone want to live away from their family just so they could go to Atwater High? The one to ask is Vicki Freitas because she did it.

Vickie and her family moved here from Oregon at the beginning of her sophomore year and were here about two months when her family decided to move to Manteca.

Vickie didn't want to move again! She liked it here and had made a lot of new friends. Her parents understood her feelings, so they decided to let her stay with some close friends, Rosa and Charles Giron.

Vickie lived with the Girons for three years in order to graduate from Atwater High. Sure there were times when she missed her parents, but she called them every night and went to stay with them on weekends. Even though Vickie didn't live with her parents they had a very good relationship. "My parents are like my best friends," Vickie confessed.

For Vickie, living with the Girons was just like living with her parents. She had to do chores and, "They get to ground me if I do something wrong."

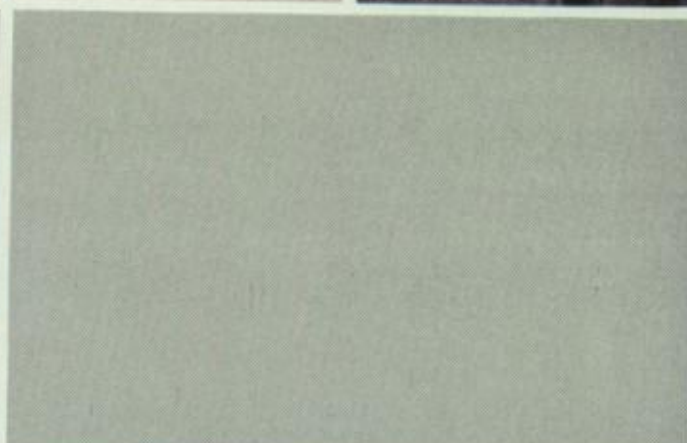
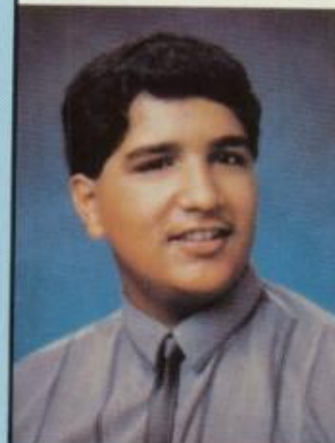
One disadvantage was on weekends when she had to return to Manteca, and missed out on weekend fun. Occasionally Vickie would get to go to a football game.

On the road again. Vickie Freitas was no stranger to loading and unloading a suitcase in order to attend AHS.

Sulee Smith  
Tammy Snider  
Parv Sodhi

Bernadine Soliece  
Elizabeth Soto

Cindy Stanford  
Chris Stavros



Against  
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*My Stevens*  
*vin Stevens*  
*nielle Stone*  
*ie Stovall*  
*an Strauss*

*James Stucky*  
*Michelle Stumbaugh*  
*Lisa Tanner*  
*Lisa Taylor*  
*Tom Teixeira*

*Yia Thao*  
*Richard Thompson*  
*Stacey Thompson*  
*Tonya Thompson*  
*Michelle Tibbs*

*Karen Tighe*  
*Marty Tolleson*  
*Erin Trammel*  
*Tami Trexler*  
*Julie Tripp*

*Angela Troutman*  
*Felix Trujillo*  
*Susan Trujillo*  
*Dino Valtierra*  
*Sao Vang*

*Su Vang*  
*Cheryl Vann*  
*Vincent Vasquez*  
*Annabelle Vierra*  
*Kelly Vierra*





Vicente Villegas  
Robert Wall  
Lisa Walter  
Michelle Wayman  
Dave Webb

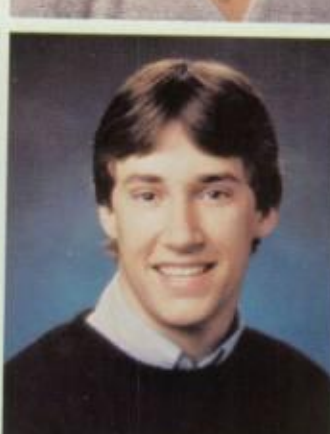
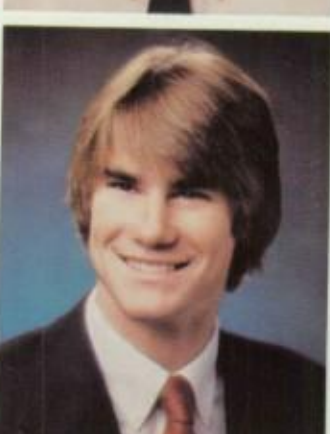
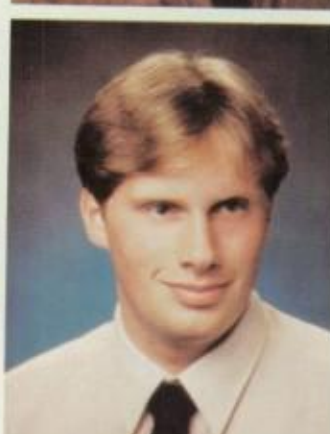
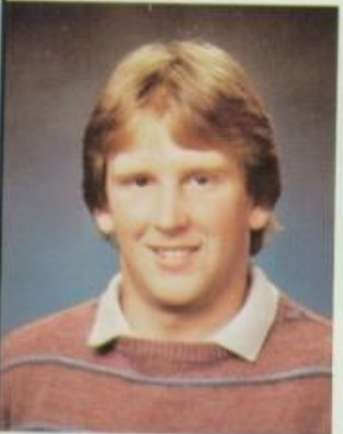
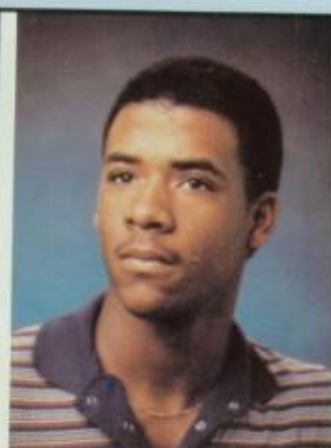
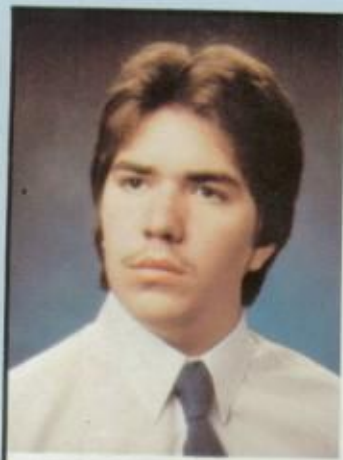
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Eric Whitney  
Sonja Whitten

Marque Wiggins  
Melissa Wiley  
Stacy Wilkie  
Curt Willhite  
Ken Williams

Anthony Wilson  
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Michael Willson  
Mia Wilson  
Cecil Windle

Ron Wolleat  
Loretta Wright  
William Wright  
Hue Yang  
Kao Yang

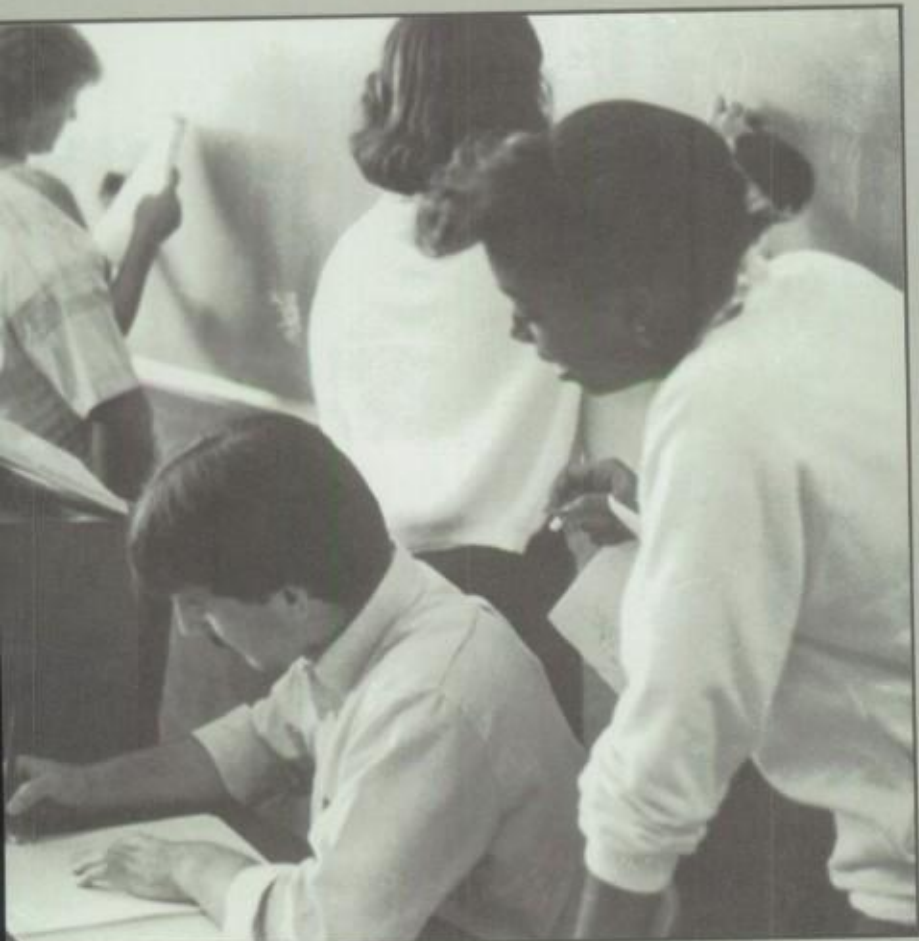
Kaying Yang  
Gilbert Zambrano  
Sophia Zambrano  
Blanca Zamora  
Suzan Zanutto





*The Unknown Odds?*  
*by Mila Hoban*

*The odds are unknown for almost anything you do. You have to go against the odds in almost everything. Many of you have big dreams and hopes that will soon become reality. Keep up with your hard work and determination and you can beat the odds and succeed. The odds are pretty outrageous, but you never know, you could make it.*



*Any one of these students could beat the odds. Top right: Future fashion leader. What if Matt Luis someday became the President of a major fashion company? Left: Jaeda Dove a teacher? She shows her talent while helping classmate Marc Sauter. Bottom left: Reverting to childhood. No matter what the future holds for Brittany Rohrke, Addy Morauske, and David Lueck, they'll always be willing to dress up for Halloween.*

Photo by David Castillo

*Against  
All  
Odds*



# Juniors

## Somewhere in time

Irene Abril  
Lydia Acevedo  
Marla Adams  
Frank Albright  
Noelle Allen



Joe Alvares  
Adrienne Anderson  
Monica Andrade  
Susie Arnold  
Jerry Aujero



Shannon Bacom  
Janet Balch  
Gina Balestra  
Jeff Ball  
Jennifer Bartlett



Dean Bates



Bonny Beard



David Bell



David S. Bell



Junior Class Officers — Front, Kimberly Burnham and Vance Spears. Back, Deanna Snyder, Colleen Smith, and Gina Balestra.





*"Somewhere in Time"  
meant being a Junior!*



Derrick Bell  
Bob Benton  
Linda Bergstrom  
Angel Bernard



Richard Bernatz  
Tom Birdsong  
Robert Black  
Jeff Blevins  
Steve Bobbitt  
Reggie Boesch  
Christine Bolin



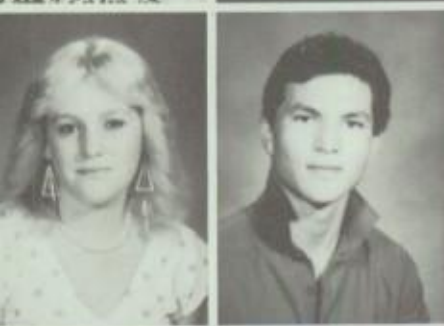
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Michelle Bowman  
Delilah Bracy  
Kandi Brashier



Estelle Breton  
Salina Brevard



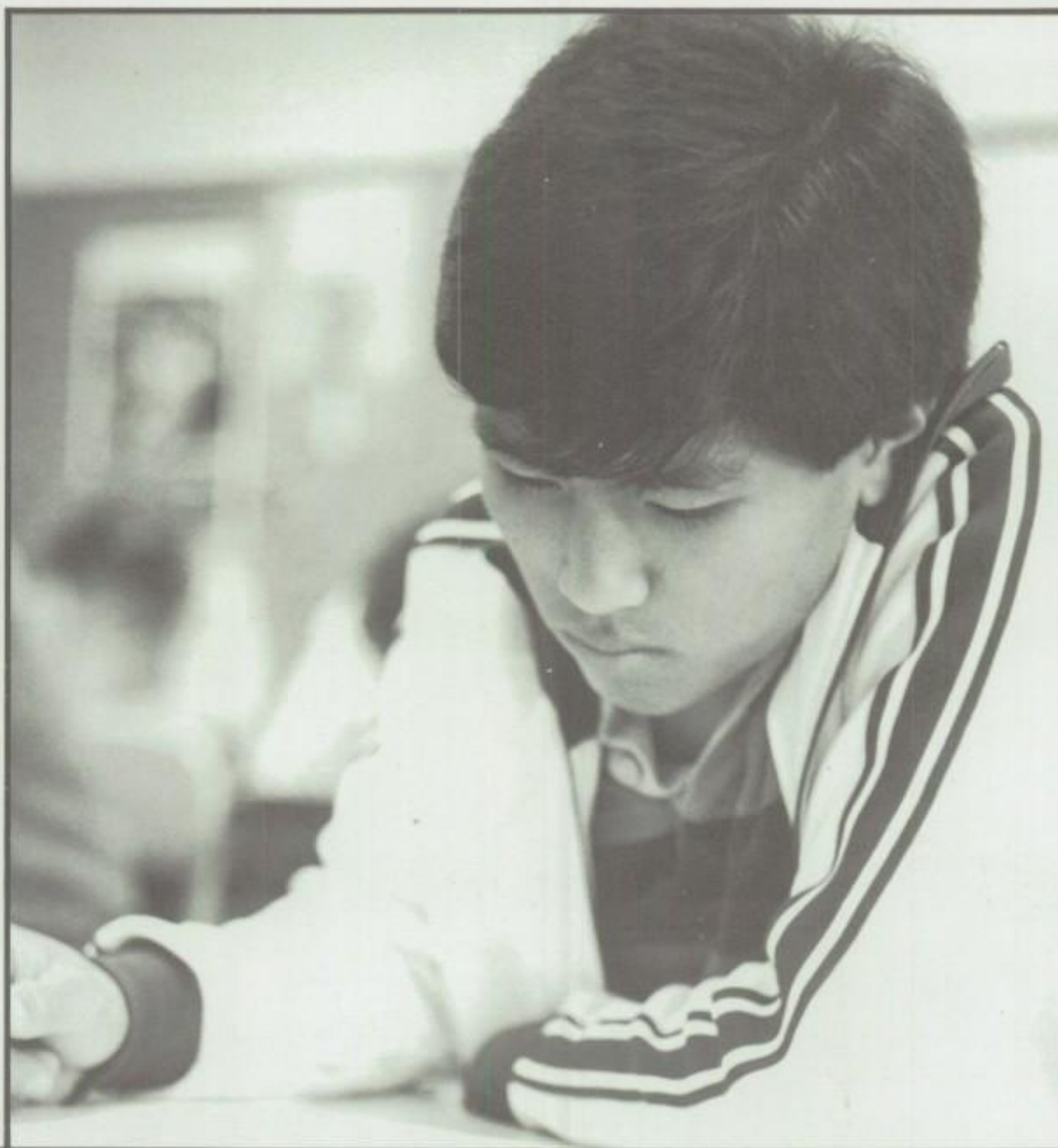
Kary Brewer  
Marsha Brewer



Pamela Bridgman  
Jesus Briseno



Melissa Brown  
Heather Brummel  
**On task. Junior  
Jerry Aujero is  
giving his full at-  
tention in Mr.  
Candalaria's  
class.**





## It's an Animal World by Keri Hines

How would you like to love animals, but not have enough room to keep them all? Junior Annette Surdez found an unusual solution. She collected stuffed animals. These cuddly creatures required little or no care and never talked back.

Annette had been collecting stuffed animals since the 6th grade. She first became fascinated by them when she saw them in stores and at fairs. "I collect them because they're cute and cuddly. I keep all my stuffed animals on a big wicker chair in the corner of my bedroom," Annette admitted.

Annette had a variety of animals and said that, "I mainly collect bunny rabbits, teddy bears, and puppy dogs." Where did she get all these animals? She won some at fairs, but mostly bought them.

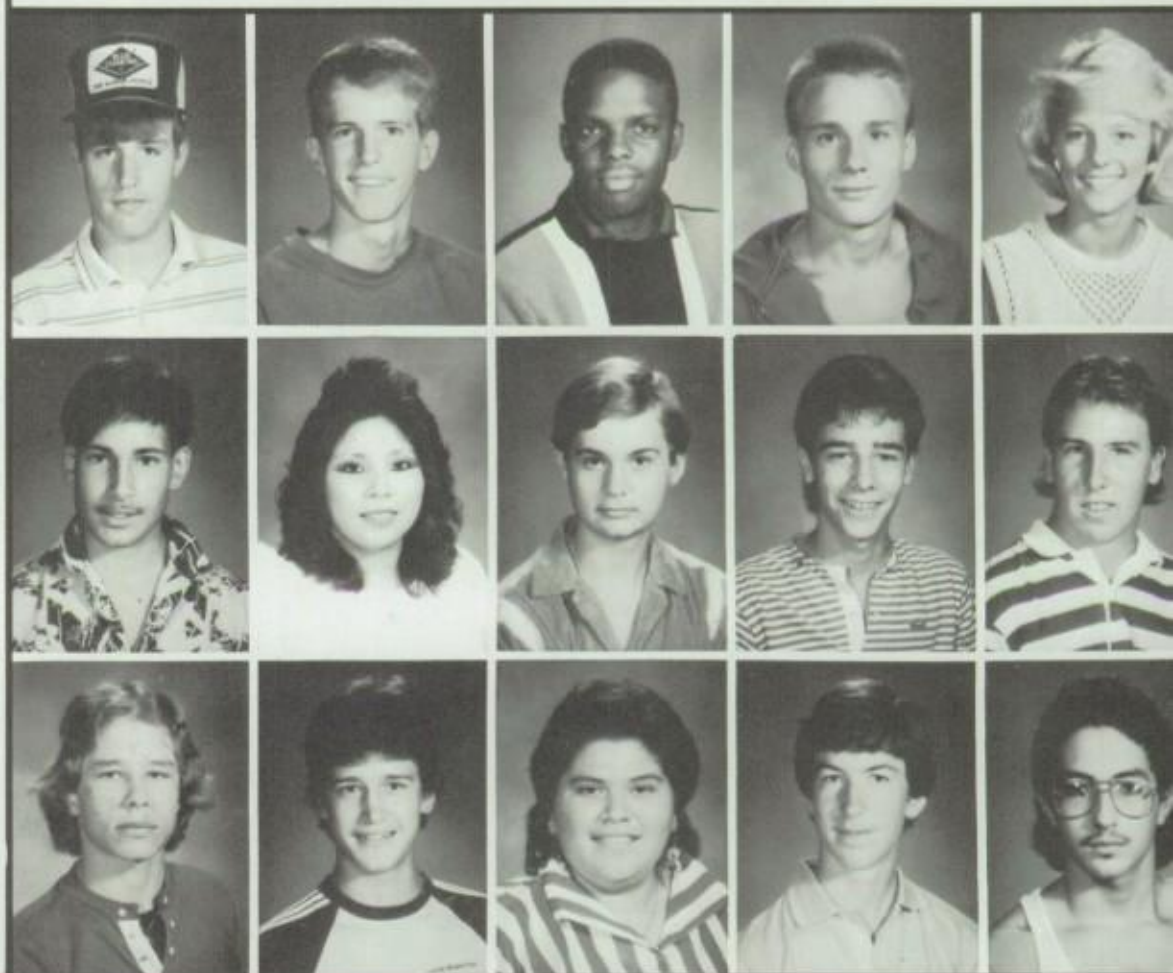


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Traven Buckner  
Jeff Burdett  
Kimberly Burnham

William Bussard  
Venus Bustamente  
Michael Cacek  
David Calvillo  
Jamie Camp

Jesse Canida  
James Canipe  
Teresa Cano  
James Carr  
Rick Casares

Surrounded. Annette with her animals.



# Juniors Somewhere in time





Sir Casper  
James Caton



Amelia Chavez  
Michelle Cheatham



Heather Chestnut  
Sue Choi



Ready for attack. These two cuties could safely attack anyone.



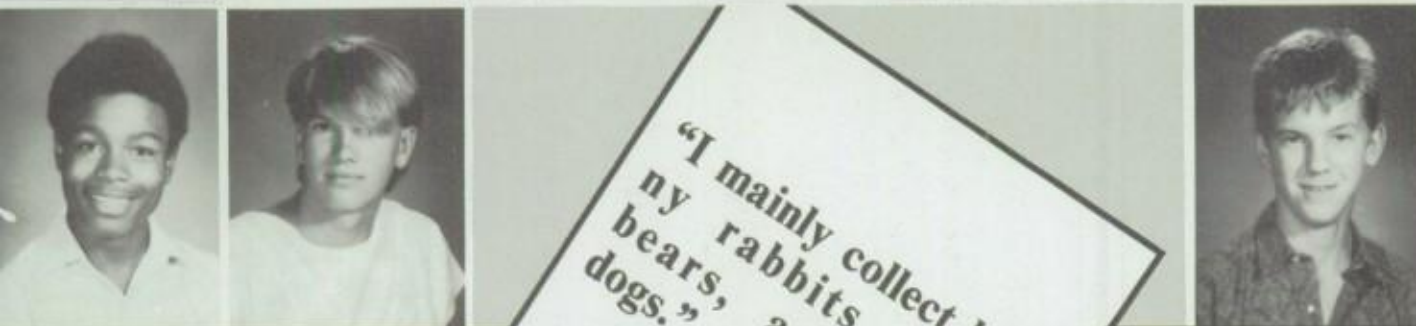
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Stefan Coleman  
Darin Colvin  
Christopher Console



Craig Conway  
Denise Conway  
Tyrone Cooksey  
Carleen Coutu  
Kimberly Cox  
Lisa Cox



Phillip Crain  
Rory Crawford  
Connie Crum  
Juliana Dacuyan  
Joseph Dalia  
Jay Dallas



Kevin Daniel  
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Gregory Davis

"I mainly collect bunny rabbits, teddy bears, and puppy dogs."



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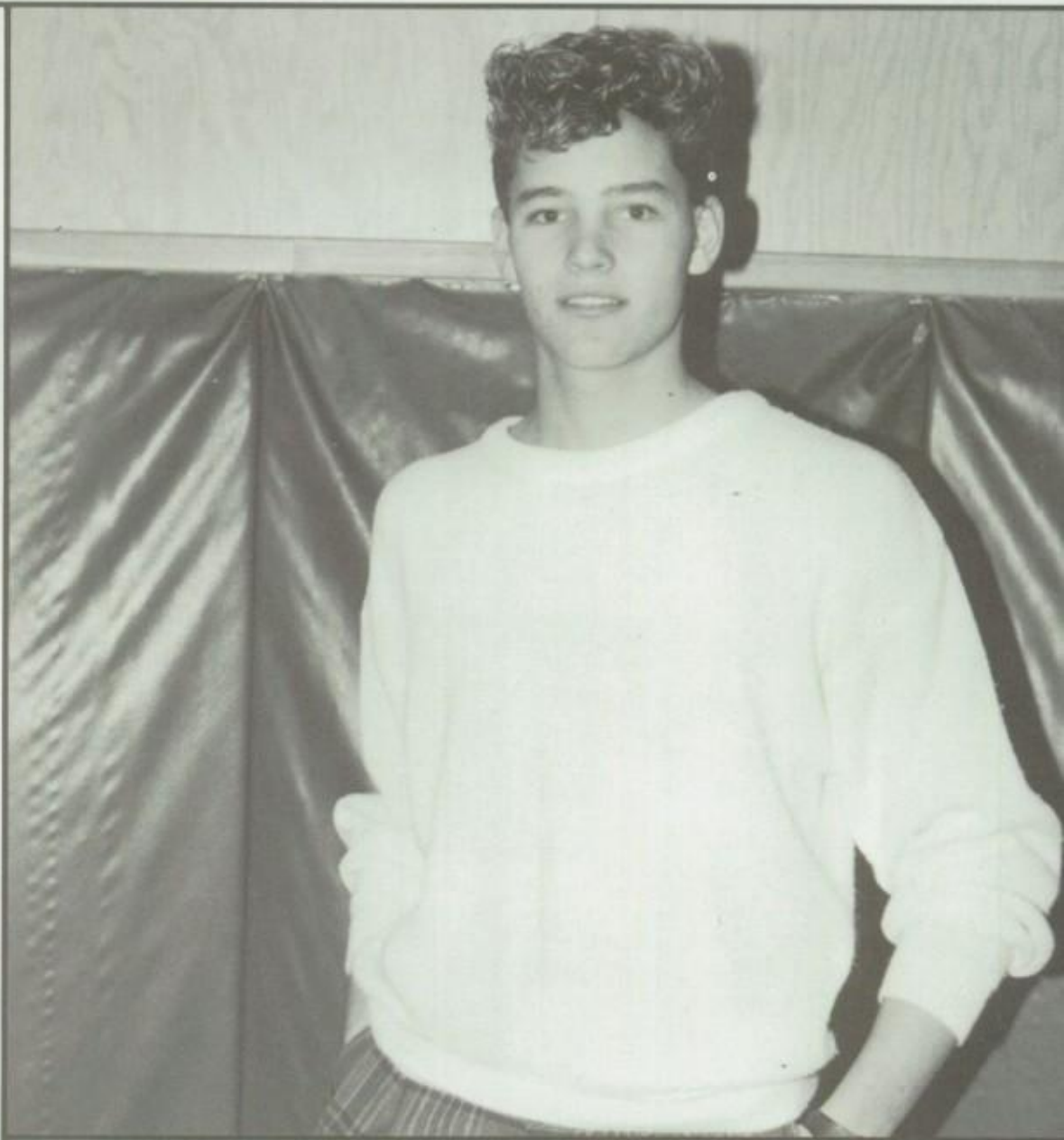
## Somewhere in time

### Painting Himself a Future by Keri Hines

Have you ever seen a painting that would brighten up your day? Well Louis Zimmerman's paintings will!

He had been experimenting with different types of paintings for about a year and a half. He said, "I don't stick with one subject like many artists. I paint a variety of seascapes, landscapes, and portraits."

Louis said that, "I have studied under many artists such as Bill Blackman, Barbara O'Neida, and Rom Villa, but I would have to say that Marcie Morgan of the Atwater Art Center has influenced me the most." Louis stated further that, "My family has helped me a lot, especially when I was starting out."

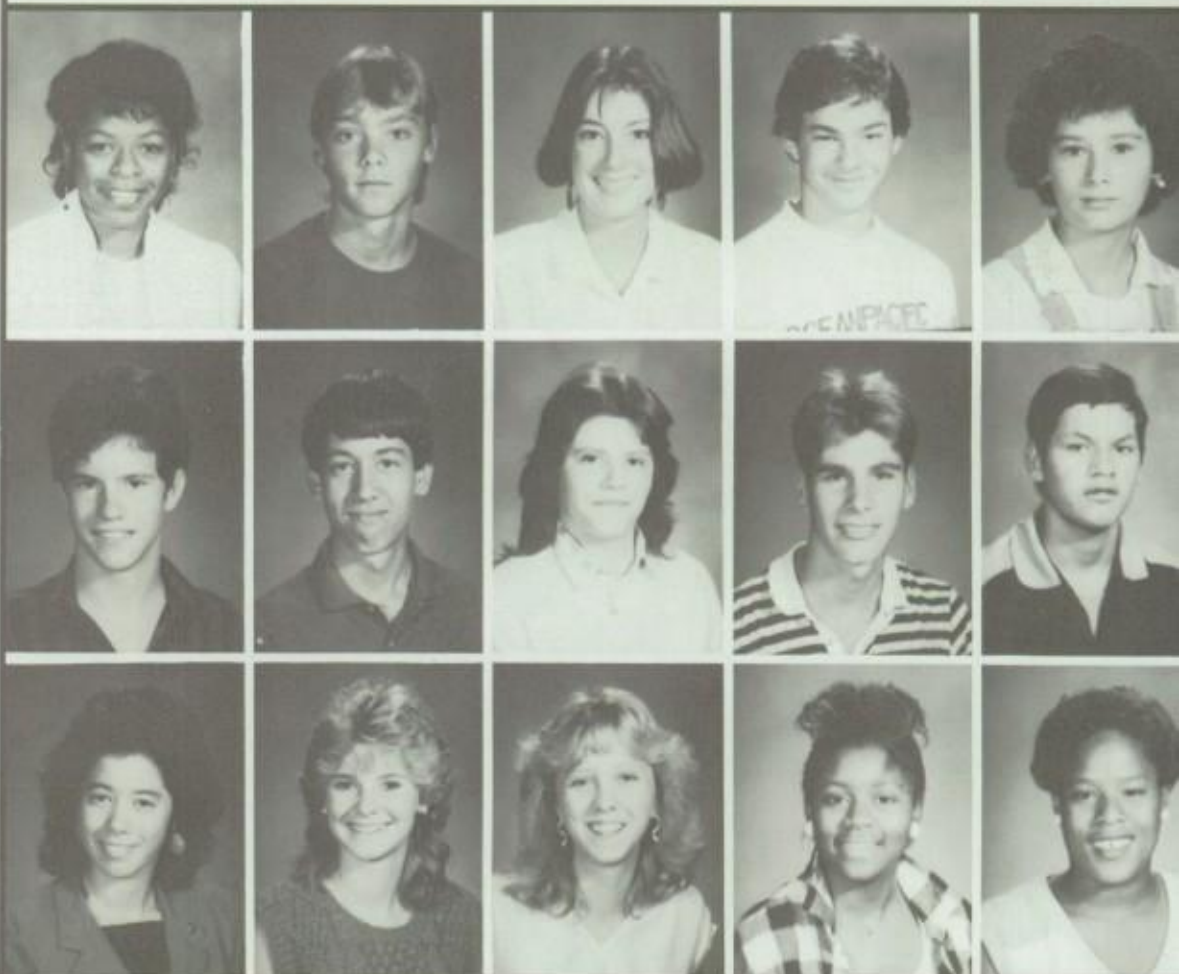


A moment to relax.  
Louis Zimmerman taking time off.

Sharon Davis  
Michael Dawson  
Kristen deBoer  
William Delnero  
Kathryn DeClue

Troy Denno  
Marcel Dentremon  
Merle Devore  
Dennis Dewitt  
Fernando Diaz

Karen Dickey  
Melissa Dion  
Joann Dixon  
Chante Dobbins  
Teresa Doughtry





*"I don't stick with one  
subject like many art-  
ists."*



Robert Downs  
Kenny Dudley  
April Dunster  
Daniel Dupont



Linda Duran  
Maria Duran  
Miguel Duran  
David Duty  
Melinda Eads  
Deanna Easton  
Tony Eckman



Lee Edwards  
Dawn Elder  
Catalina Eliserio  
Robert Elledge  
Jim Esau  
Liz Escobar  
Eduardo Estrada



Candie Etchison  
Anthony Evans  
Whitney Evans  
Stephanie Ferreria  
David Ferroni  
John Finkbeiner  
Matt Flanagan



Artwork in  
progress. A  
winter land-  
scape in the  
works by  
Louis Zim-  
merman.



## Did They Get the Other Driver?

by Stephen D. Kuykendall

The first thing I remembered was waking up in a room with some strange lady by my bed. "Hi Steve, it's about time you woke up."

"Where am I and who are you?" I stammered.

"My name is Julie, and I'm from the Child Protection Service."

Tears filled my eyes as I thought of the night before. "Are my parents really dead?" I asked.

She just nodded with a sympathetic look on her face.

"But why, how?" I managed to get out between tears.

"Well tell me how, I have to know how." I whimpered.

"The way I understand it, your parents were on their way home and they were run off the road into a canal by a drunk driver," she said, looking at the floor.

"Did they get the other driver?" I said trying to get her to look at me.

"Yes, they did Steve but ..."

"But what!!!" I yelled in disgust.

"But he was a minor so he was released into the custody of his parents," she said looking up at me.

The next night I heard a knock on my window. When I opened it up Derrick climbed in. Boy was I

Photo by Stephen D. Kuykendall

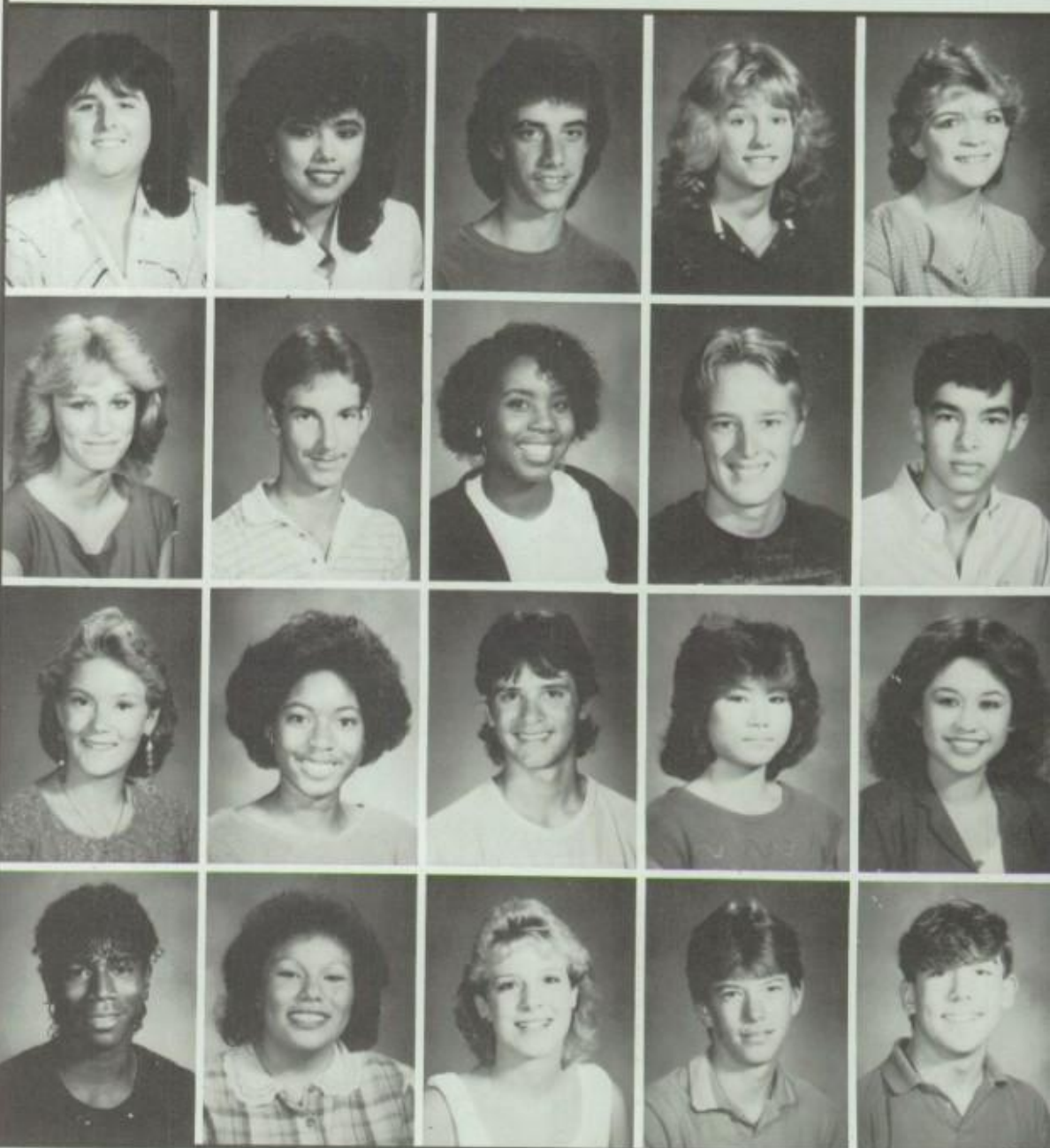
Crash. It doesn't take much alcohol to turn a joy ride into a death ride.

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Martina Flores  
Jeffrey Fogletance  
Hilary Ford  
Trina Foursha

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Bryan Francis  
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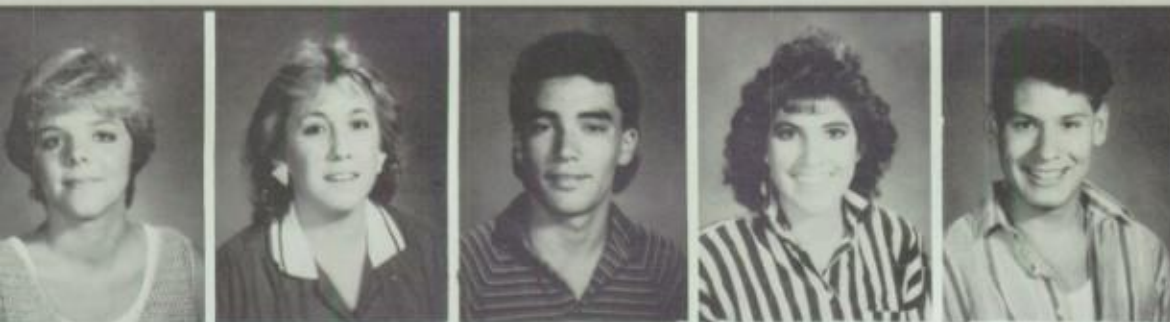
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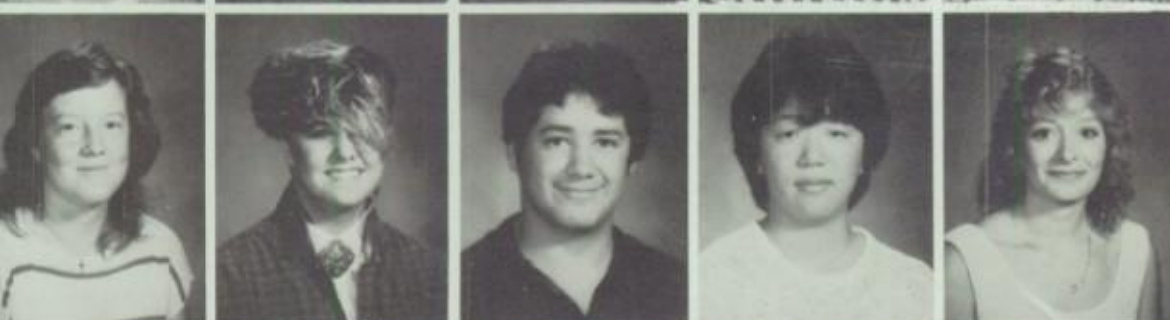
# Juniors

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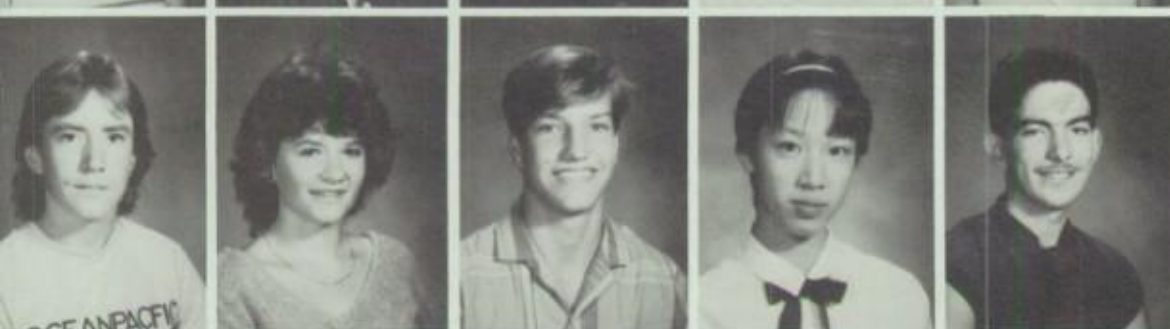




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Brent Groth  
Christine Grycel  
David Guerrero



Dannette Guinac  
Karen Gunhus  
Bacilio Gutierrez  
Sachiko Hagiware  
Melinda Hamilton



Lee Hardy  
Karen Harris  
Jeff Harskamp  
Chizuko Hasimoto  
Michael Hathcoat



Charles Havel  
Marc Haywood  
Shane Heafner  
Kyle Hearn  
Brent Hefner



Rena Henderson  
Leha Herrera  
Windy Hettiger  
Carlos Hill  
Delores Hill



"Friends don't let  
friends Drive Drunk."

Party! (Wrong).  
Vision becomes  
blurred when  
alcohol is in-  
troduced.

happy.

"So, what takes my best friend so long to come see me? I asked with a grin.

"That lady out front wouldn't let me see you," he said in a low tone.

"That's Julie. She's supposed to stay with me until my Aunt gets here. They say I'm too young to stay here alone since my parents . . .," the tone of my voice lowered to almost nothing, "Well you know."

"Ya," Derick said staring at the wall, "I knew before you did."

"What do you mean you knew before me?" I asked in a funny voice I didn't know.

"Steve," he said slowly, "I was driving the other car."

"You? You're my best friend," I screamed with tears streaming down my face. "It's all your fault!"

I didn't give him a chance to say anything else. I turned and ran out of the house. Julie tried to stop me but I just pushed her off.

By the time I got to the park my shirt was soaked with sweat and tears. All I did was sit there and repeat, "My best friend, my best friend."

Now, it's just about all over. My Aunt Mary said, "Time can heal all wounds." But I think it'll take a long time to heal this wound because it was a double loss. I lost my parents and my best friend just because he couldn't say, "No" to a drink.



# Juniors Somewhere in time

Robert Hill  
Sonya Hill  
Michael Hille  
Patricia Hilliard  
Rebecca Hilliard

Keri Hines  
Renee Hix  
Brad Hodges  
Melissa Hofmann  
Teri Hollis

Tony Homen  
Robert Hoofard  
Jim Hoover  
Sandra Hope  
Shellaine Huddleston



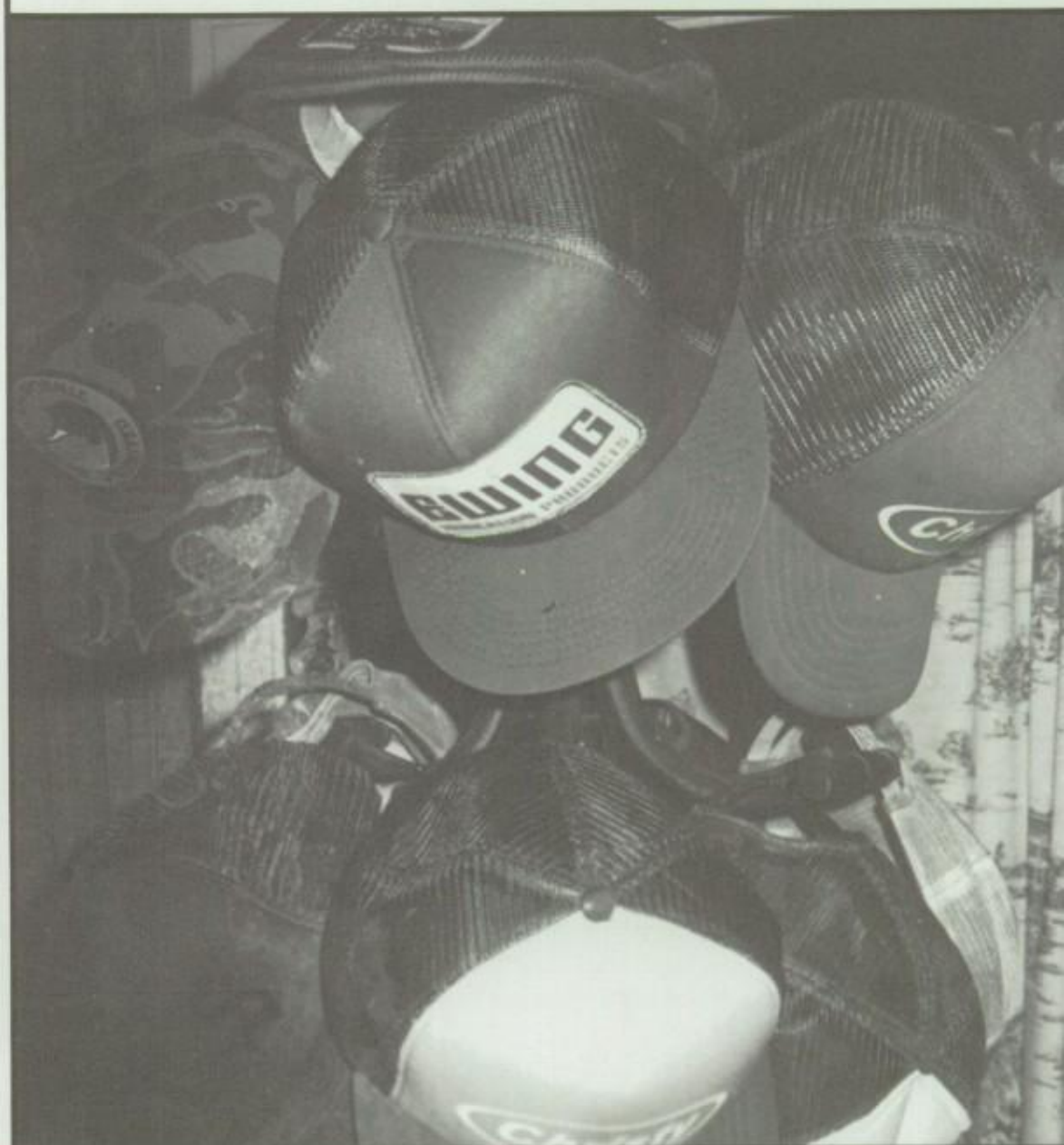
More to come.  
The hats are multiplying!

## On Top of It by Keri Hines

Who had a way of topping everything? Well it happened to be Angie Grandov. Angie had been collecting caps since the 8th grade.

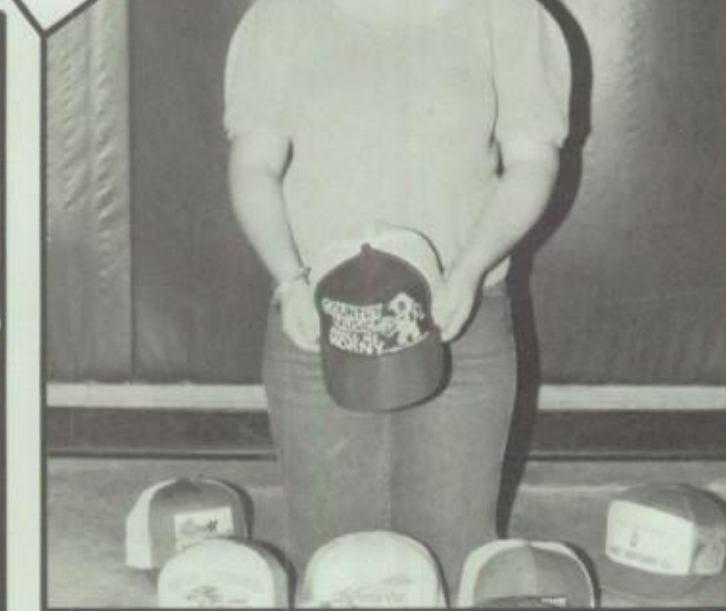
Angie was influenced by Doug Hughes, an ex-boyfriend. She kept the caps around the walls of her bedroom on nails. Angie said the reason she collected hats was, "Caps are something that not a lot of girls collect." She also stated, "There are a lot of different things you can put on a cap."

Angie had caps such as King Ropes, Meatmakers, Camarillo Ropes, truck stop and gas station caps, also different kinds of training stable caps and many more.





"Caps are something  
that not a lot of girls  
collect."



Kenneth Huie  
Tiffany Hunt

Patti Hyde  
Shane Ingalsbe  
Alberto Iran

Todd Jezeke  
Glenda Johnson  
Jerry Johnson

"On top of It".  
Angie Grandov and her  
hats.



Richard Johnson  
Torrin Johnson  
Janell Johnston  
Melvin Jones  
Kim Kaler  
Amy Kamykowski



John Kane  
Kirk Keach  
Margaret Kelly  
Sherri Kendrick  
Jules Kent  
Hyun Kim



Kyong Kim  
Jerry Kingston  
Louis Kingston  
Tom Klaameyer  
Robert Koncewicz  
Tajinder Kooner



Verna Krone  
Derrick Krummen  
Kathy Lage  
Joseph Lagrand  
Jason Lara  
Tina Lamons





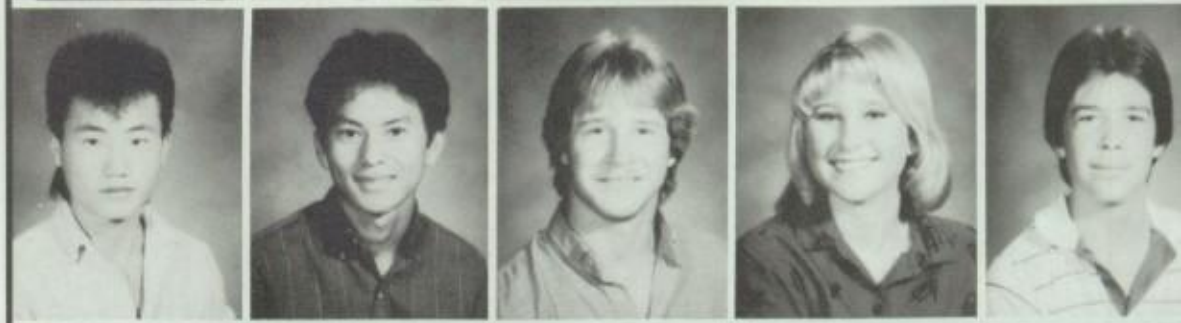
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Gwen Lanowy  
Pamela Lanowy  
Karen Lawrence  
Stacey Leal



Oscar Ledesma  
Boa Lee  
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Po Lee  
Thong Lee



Tou Thao Lee  
Xa Lee  
Thomas Lemas  
Michelle Lemmon  
Jack Leonardo



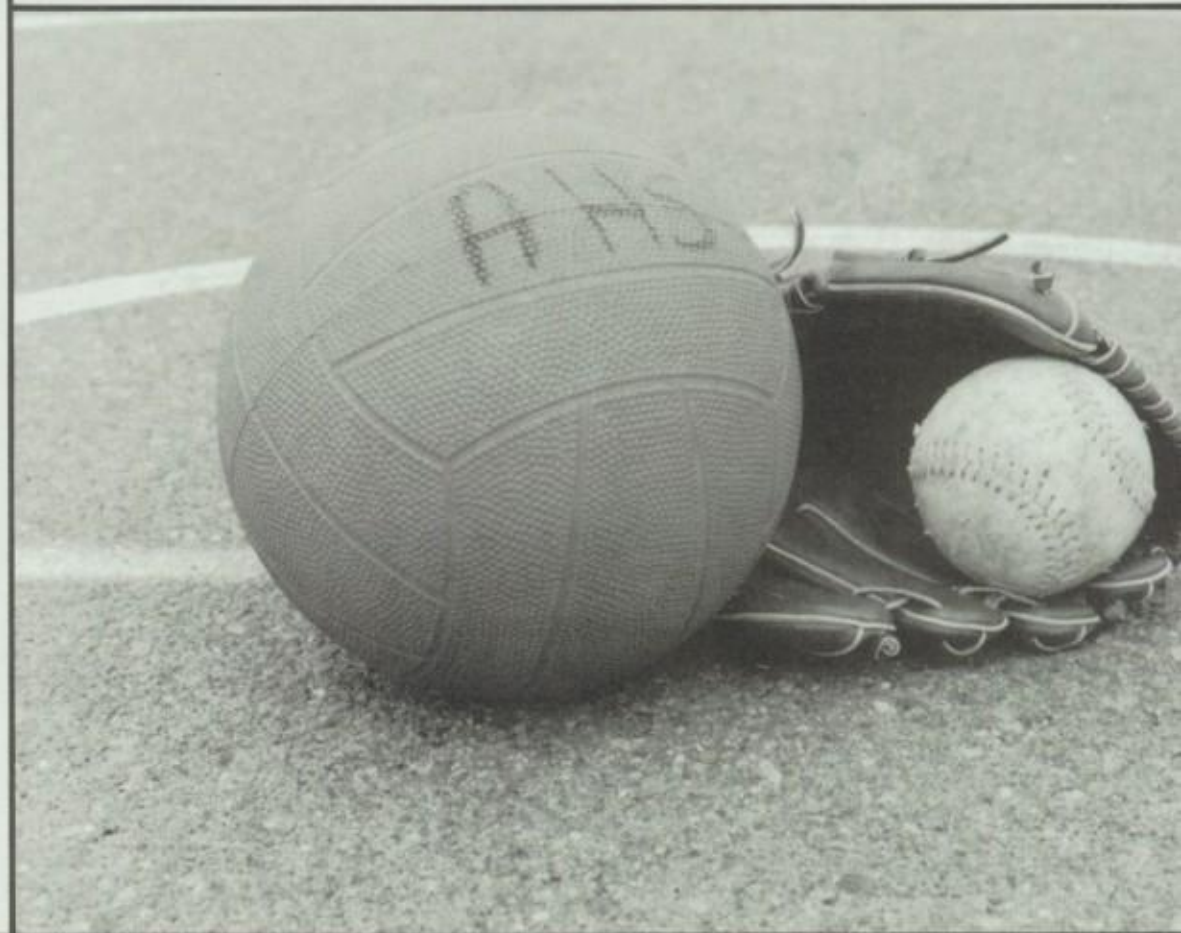
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### Since His Freshmen Year by Karen Petersen

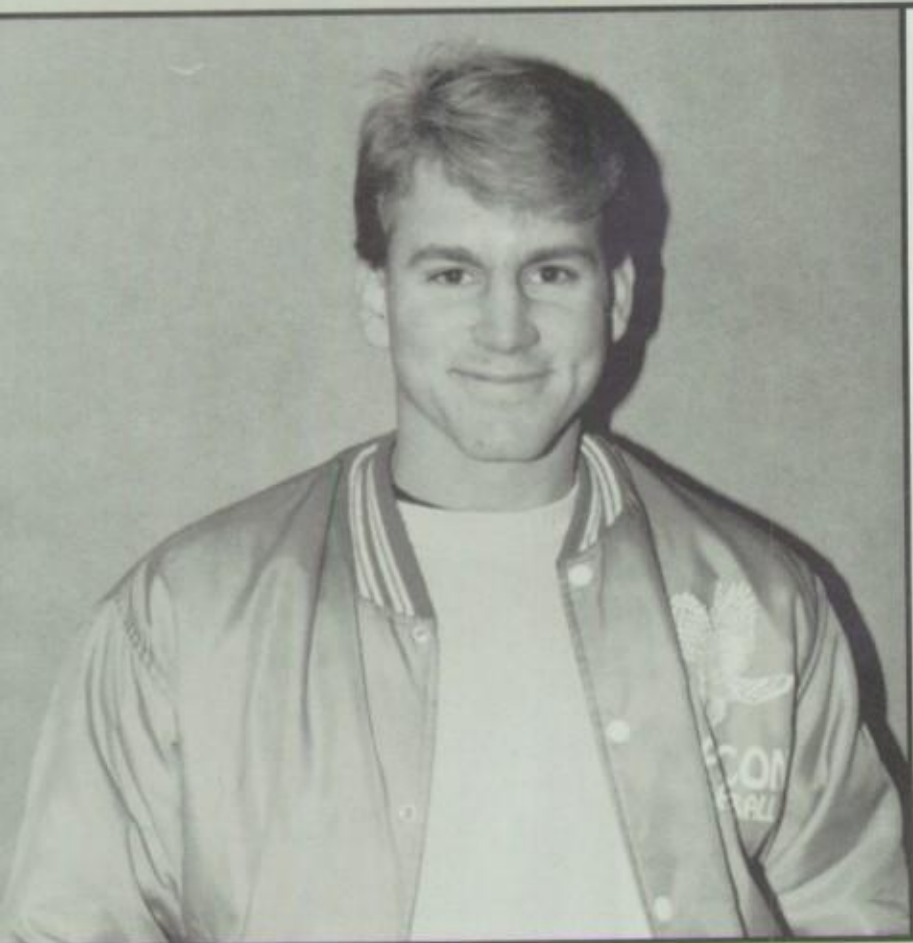
Charles Havel had been good at sports since the beginning of his freshmen year. The two sports he excelled the most in were Basketball and Baseball.

When it came to basketball, he was very talented. During his J.V. basketball career, he was the hottest basketball shooter in the league. Sure the other basketball players were good too, but Charles Havel really shined above the rest. Coach Schanze replied on how Charles had excelled in his offensive games. Coach Schanze said, "He was one of the finest shooters we have had at Atwater. He was always striving to do his best offensively and defensively."



## Juniors Somewhere in time





Conrad Lugo  
Emily Lustre



Robert Lyles  
Esther Martinez



Debra Mason  
Richard Mayes

The time is now.  
Charles Havel  
psyched for a game.



Wendy Mazuelos  
Deborah McCarthy  
Vaughn McCarty  
Robert McDowell  
Linda McFetridge  
Amiee McIntosh



Katherin McIntyre  
Billy McQueen  
Joe Meyer  
Monra Miller  
Nanette Miller  
Staci Miller



William Miller  
Danielle Mims  
Donald Mooney  
Christopher Morgin  
Lisa Morris  
Tammie Morrissey



Ger Moua  
Richard Mozier  
Chris Munden

"One of the finest  
shooters."



# Juniors Somewhere in time

## Nothing to Eat by Mandi De George

In the slim 80's the eating disorder, anorexia nervosa, was becoming more popular. It was a psychological and emotional disorder characterized by severe loss of appetite and bizarre eating patterns.

This disorder was not a disease in the sense of a contagious disease. You did not catch it from another person, you created it in your own mind. Simply stated, a person thinks they are "fat" when they are not.

In the early stages of the disorder, a person cuts down on his or her food intake. This turns into a more severe elimination of food until finally, in the later stages, one cannot even stand the sight of food because of the psychological and emotional fear of becoming fat.

Finally, after months of starvation, family and friends notice the dramatic change in weight and become concerned. At first there is a denial stage where the anorexic claims they still don't need to eat. They think they are fat no matter how much weight they have lost. The anorexic even goes as far as to eat a little food to please family and friends, sneaking away afterwards only to vomit or take laxatives.

Eventually, this non-eating habit forces the family of the anorexic to seek professional therapy. The person is usually admitted unwillingly and sometimes a cure is not always forthcoming. Usually, though, a person can be cured through therapy that convinces them of how sick they really are.



Art by Mary Sampaio

Vanity? Most anorexics think, "I'm really fat."

Tanya Munoz  
Gina Munoz  
Mary Munoz  
Diana Murphy



Robert Murphy  
Stephanie Murray  
Scott Musser  
Michelle Nance



Robert Nathan  
William Newby  
Sahn Nguyen  
Tammie Nichols



Christina Niehaus  
Harmanji Nijjar  
Stephani Nugent  
Anne Nunes





Simply stated, a person thinks they are "fat" when they are not.



Dustin Oaks  
Abraham Ochoa  
Miguel Ochoa



Bobby O'Daniel  
Jerry O'Hagen  
Cheryl O'Hara  
Russel Oliver  
Kelly Ormand  
Patricia Ornelas



Juan Orozco  
Estella Ortega  
Samantha Osborn  
Lisa Ozenbaugh  
Justin Pareira  
Eric Paris



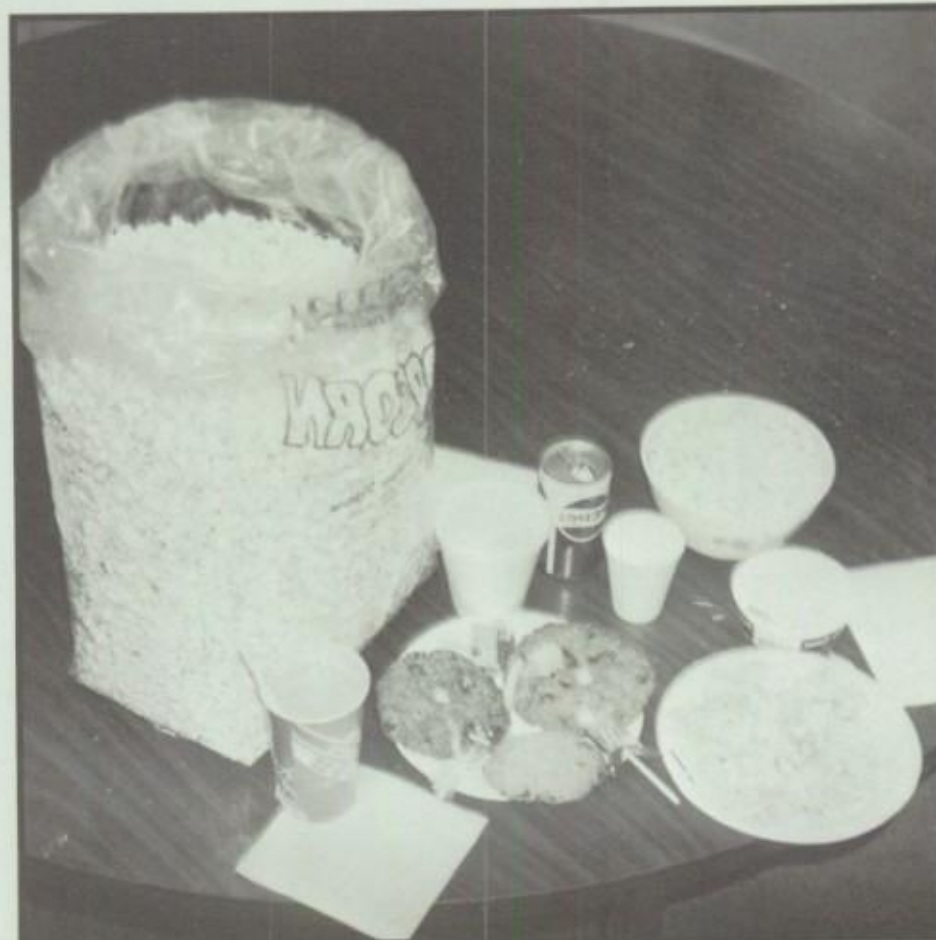
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Phaedra Peel  
Bertha Perez  
John Perez  
Juanita Perez



Julie Perez  
Kathy Persak

Karen Petersen  
Michael Phaler

Mildred Pipkin  
Theresa Pires



**Munchies!** An anor-  
exic would not ap-  
preciate this feast.



Lisa Pisarcik  
Sidney Plagenza  
Randolph Plank  
Shelly Porter  
Brian Powell

Marty Powell  
Richard Power  
Kevin Price  
Alan Prince  
Brian Rahn

Bennie Ramirez  
Juan Ramirez  
Pete Ramirez  
Mike Rammel  
Emanuel Ramos

Close-up. A cold, hard view of what some athletes gave to their school ... broken bones and pain.

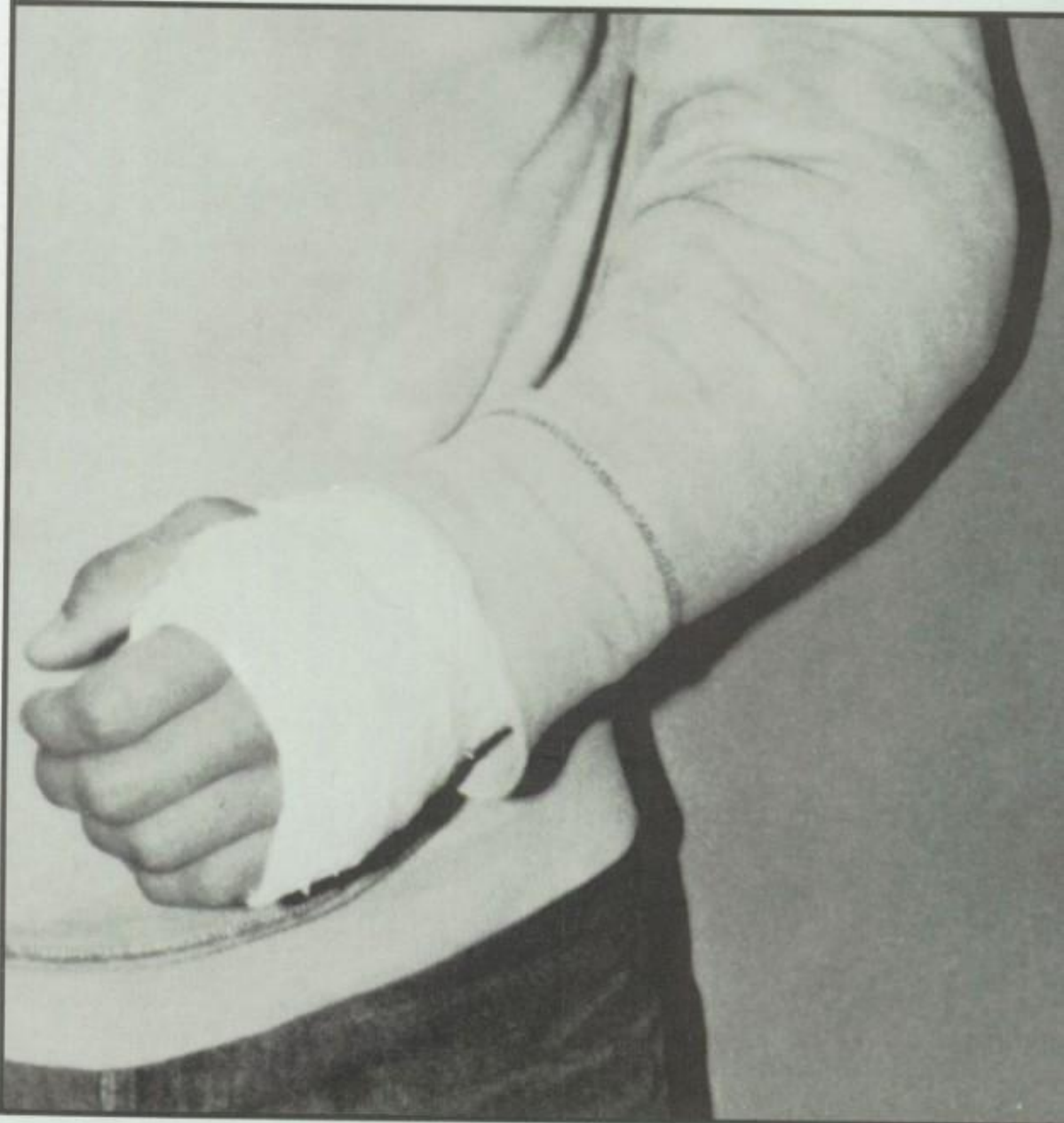
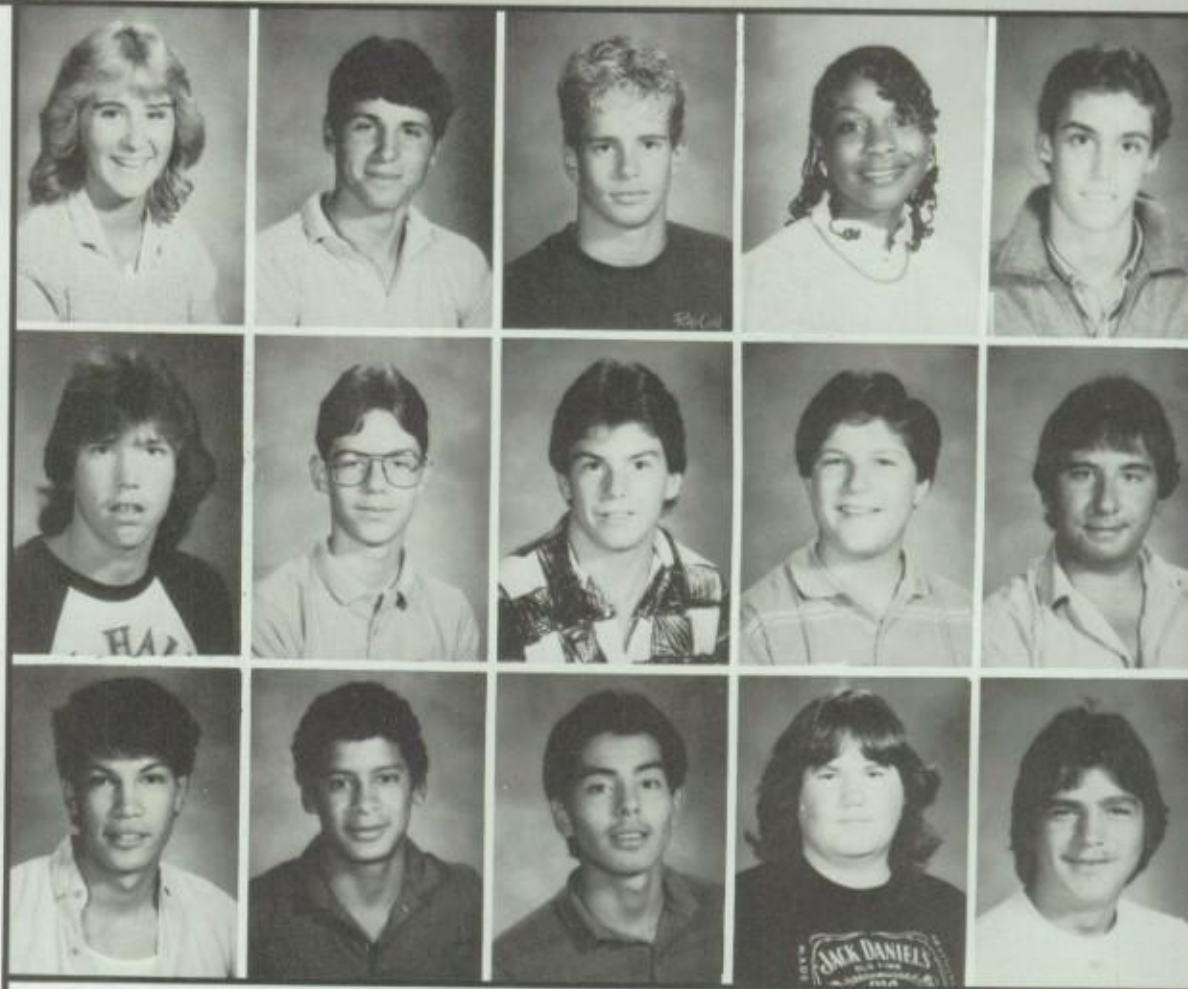
### Those Were The Breaks by Kenny Dudley

Students at Atwater High differed in many ways, even in language, but the most common word among them was, "Ouch!"

The A.H.S. athletic program was plagued with many different types of injuries. Everything ranging from an in-grown fingernail, to a bad back. In varsity football alone, 14 people were counted as injured or non-playing.

The names and injury type of some of these people were as follows: Ken Dudley — knee injury, Steve Rovic — concussion, Danny Rodriguez — knee injury, Torrin Johnson — broken thumb, Wayne Davis — knee injury, Charles Wright — shoulder, David Bryson — broken ankle.

Even the J.V. football squad, who had won their section title as freshmen and the C.C.C. as Sophomores, had their share of injured players. These players included the following: Chuck Browning — knee injury, Mario Cruz — knee injury.



# Juniors — S omewhere in time —





Joseph Rankin  
Corey Rase  
Modesta Reynozo  
Shannon Rice  
Leandrea Ridley  
John Riis  
Scott Riise



Leslie Rinaldi  
Troy Rinkenberger  
Daniel Rodriguez  
Mariana Rodriguez  
Nancy Rodriguez  
Rojelia Rodriguez  
Robert Rose



Steven Rovig  
Rebecca Ruch  
Sean Runyon



Jacqueli Rutan  
Angela Sabatino  
Brian Saffold

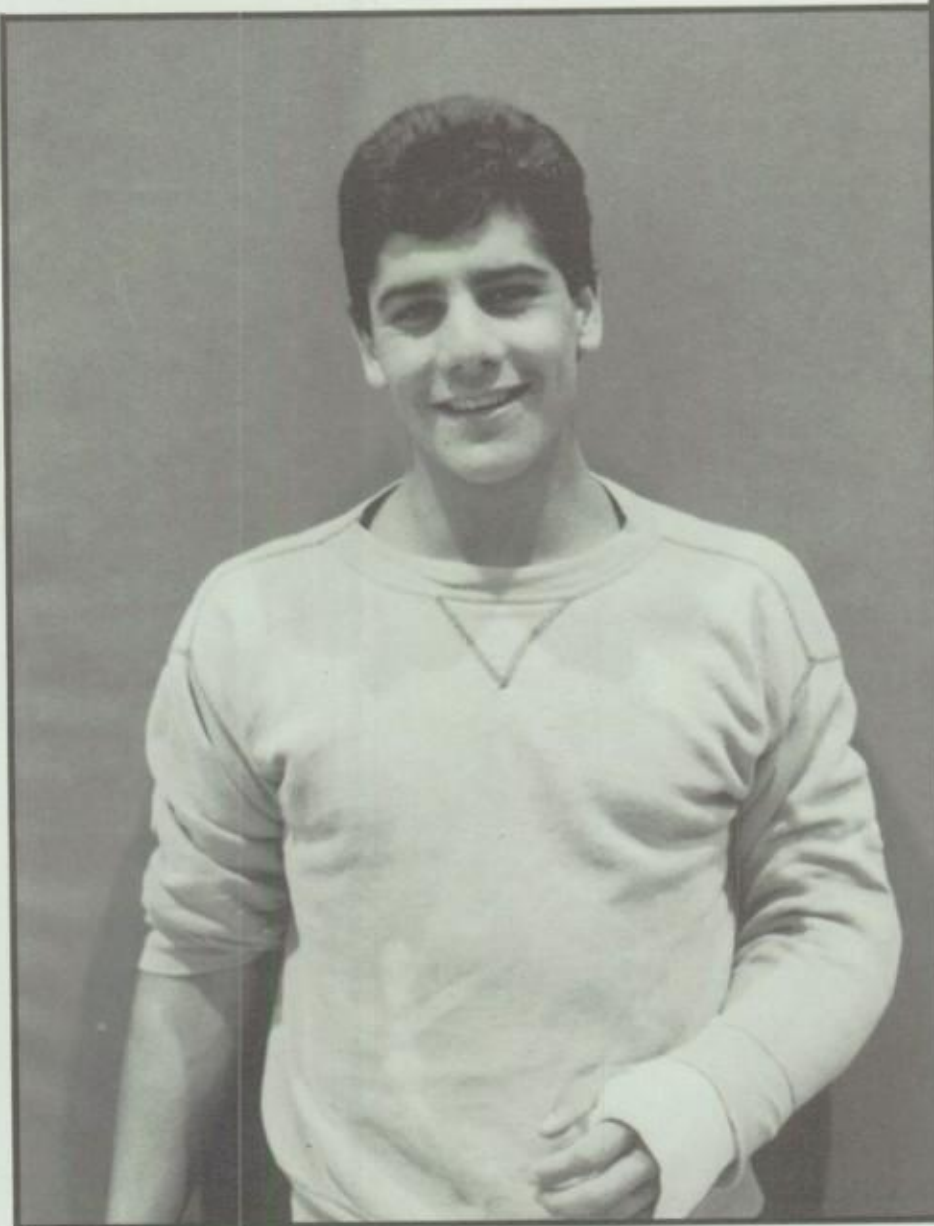


P. Samountry  
Angie Sanchez  
Sonia Sandhu



Michelle Schanze  
Donald Schmidt  
Payling Scott

**Smiling now.  
Manuel Flores  
may be out of  
pain, but not  
discomfort.**



Judith Seifert  
Debbie Senn  
Deanna Sese  
Scot Sherman



... the most common  
word among them was  
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# Juniors

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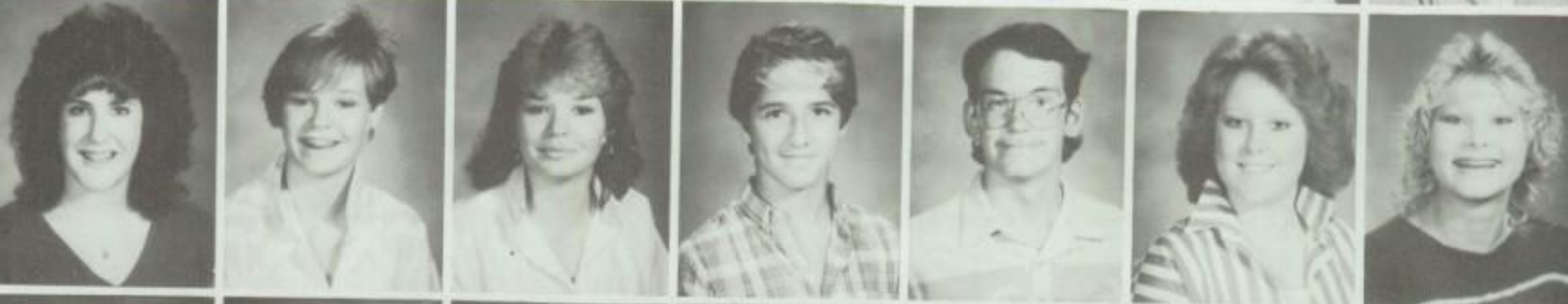
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John Silva  
Theresa Silveria  
Tony Simeone  
Teri Simmons



Shellie Slayter  
Colleen Smith  
Nancy Smith  
Sandra Smith  
Deanna Snyder  
Bouph Southivang  
Jeffery Souza



Sheila Souza  
Cathy Speaks  
Chris Speaks  
Vance Spears  
James Spivey  
Darcey Spague  
Sandy Stanley



Douglas Stickler  
Debra Stratton  
Marjorie Sumner  
Annette Surdez  
Margarit Tabarez  
Michelle Tabor  
Kobsky Tagoh





**"That's tough!" This was a phrase used constantly by teachers.**



Kamaljit Takhar  
Wesley Tanji



Vince Taylor  
Kaosua Thao  
Jim Thomas  
Kellie Thomas  
Sheri Thomas



Kenny Thompson  
Shawna Thompson  
Derrick Tigler  
Eric Tigler  
Michelle Toconis



Scott Toconis  
Angela Todd  
Suzanne Tohati  
Elvia Torres  
Laura Torres



Eric Townsend



Marcus Townsend



Rosemary Triebel



## My Dog Ate my Homework!

by John Mason

"That's tough!" This was a phrase used constantly by teachers. It was a phrase they used when you tried to turn in a late assignment or, were tardy.

Most of the time people were tardy on purpose or didn't do their homework on purpose.

Approximately 25% of the time these actions were not intentional.

Students who didn't care usually lied about the reason they didn't have their homework. They just didn't care and when they did tell the truth, who would trust them? This didn't help the people who were honest and tried to get decent enough grades to go to college. When they came in and told the teacher that *their* homework was stolen or they did it and forgot it, the teacher simply told them, "That's tough."

Next time don't tell the teacher some doberman with a pentagram hanging from his collar ate your homework because that excuse has been used and if you do "That's tough."

"Look, I told you.  
My dog ate my homework."



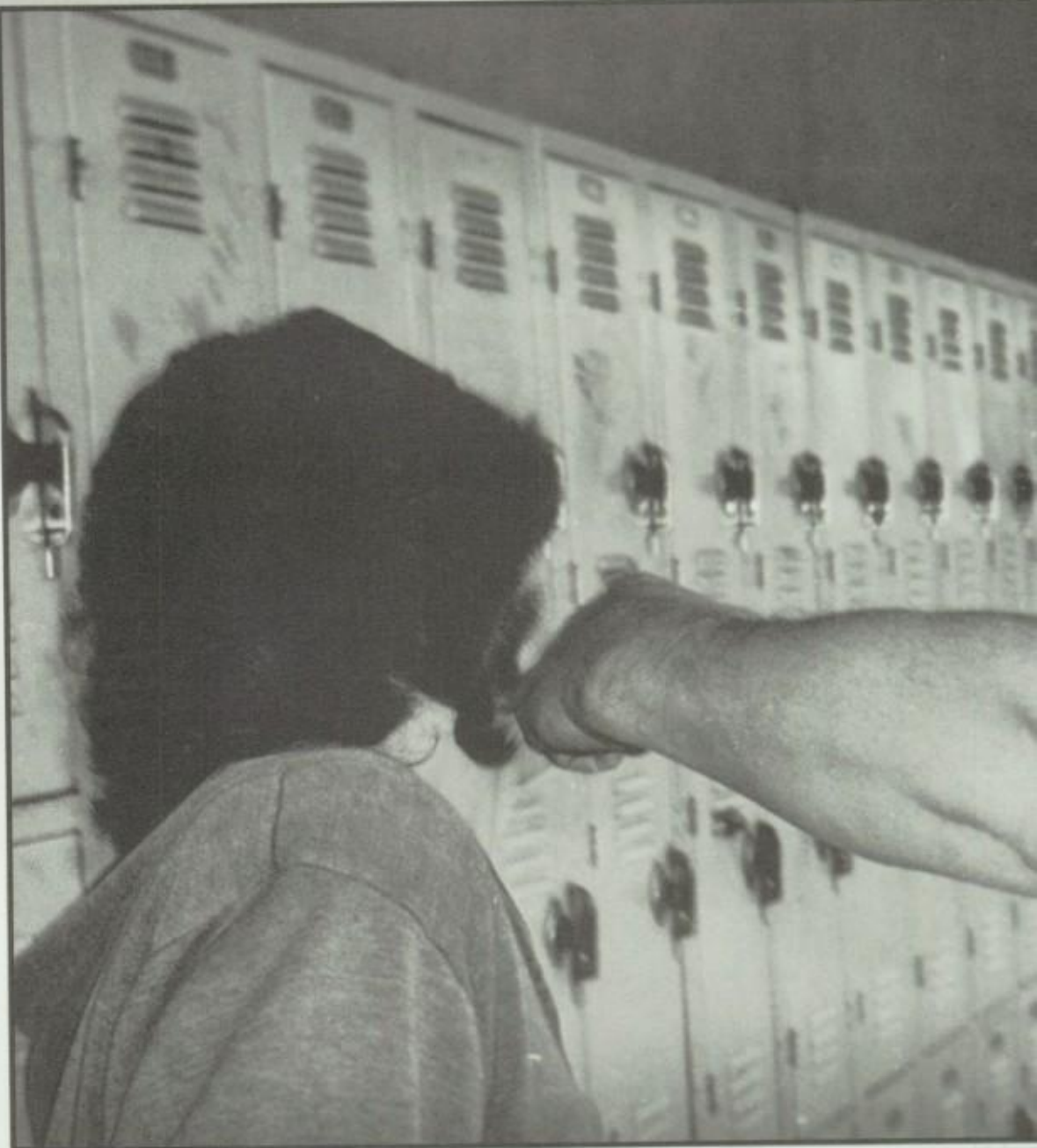


Look out!  
Right hook on  
lower jaw.

Debbie Trudo  
William Turner  
Erika Tyson  
Mikayo Umezawa  
Kristie Unruh

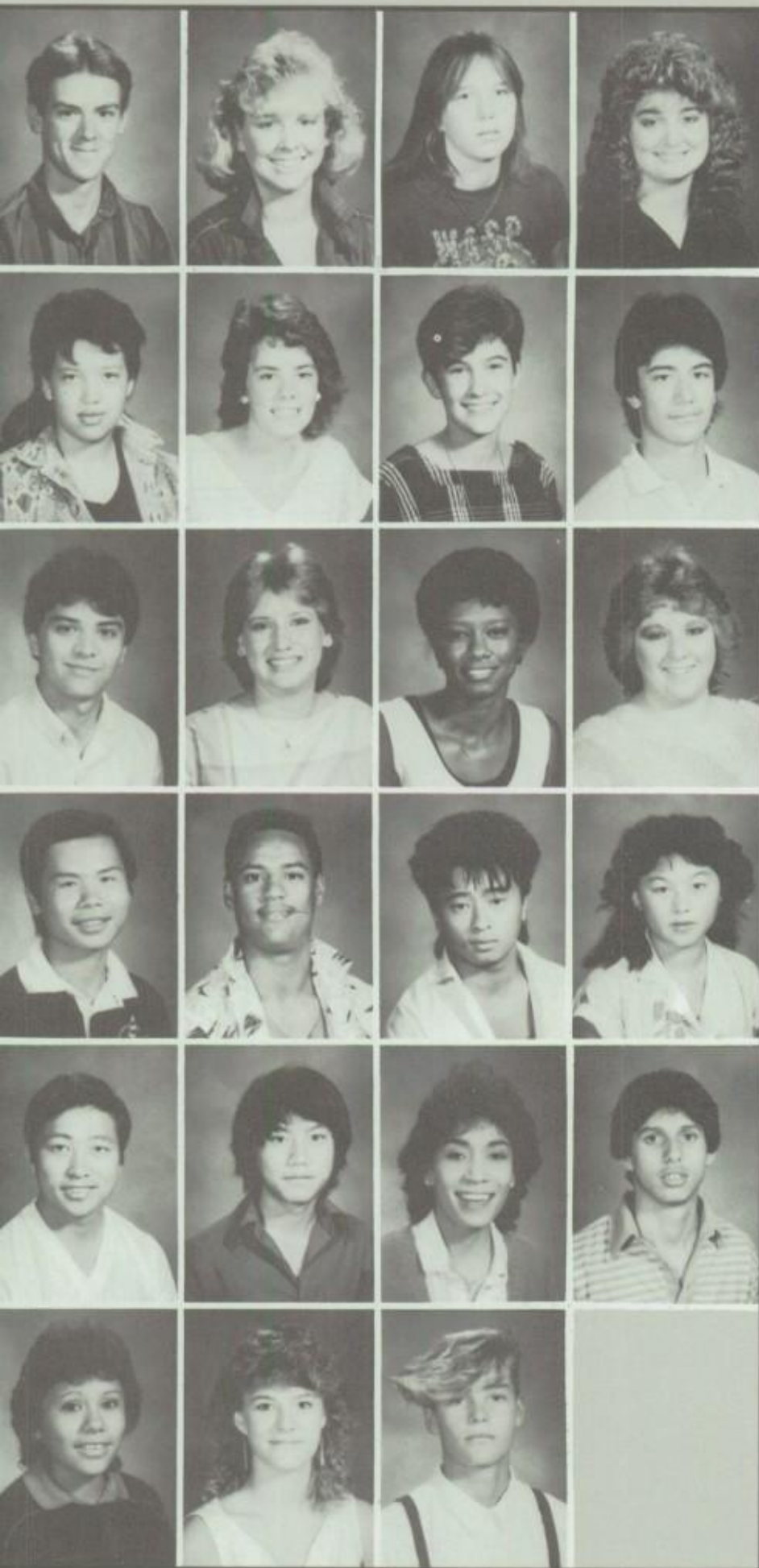
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Appun Vickers  
Judith Volz



Juniors  
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Marvin Waddell  
Kimberly Wall  
Dana Walters  
Tanya Watts

Belinda Webb  
Wendy Webb  
Samantha Weiland  
Quintin Welch

John Whitmire  
Beth Wiley  
Tracy Williams  
Dawn Willis

Johnny Wong  
Charles Wright  
Moua Xiong  
Kia Yang

Long Yang  
Tou Yang  
Raquel Ybarra  
Henry Zambrano

Priscilla Zambrano  
Michelle Zanders  
Louis Zimmerman

## It Didn't Matter Who Started It by Karen Loupos

Occasionally there was a fight on campus. Fights between two girls were the most common. Fights occurred when gossip was spread about girlfriend, boyfriend, etc. The two people who were fighting, usually argued and exchanged obscenities back and forth for a while before any action took place.

After the fight was over, the gossip started up about who won and who lost.

The first offense for fighting, depending on the circumstances, resulted in a three day home suspension with no make-up allowed.

During the school years 1982-83 and 1983-84, the first offense for fighting would result in a three day suspension to the person who started the fight. However, if the opponent was aggressive in fighting back, then he/she would suffer the suspension also.

Since the 1984-85 school year, the offense for fighting has resulted in suspension of both students, regardless of who started it.

The second offense resulted in a five day home suspension with no make up and a possibility of that student being transferred to Yosemite High for the remainder of the year.

After the fight is over,  
the gossip starts.



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"To be or

Not to be"

Skimboarding  
by David Castillo

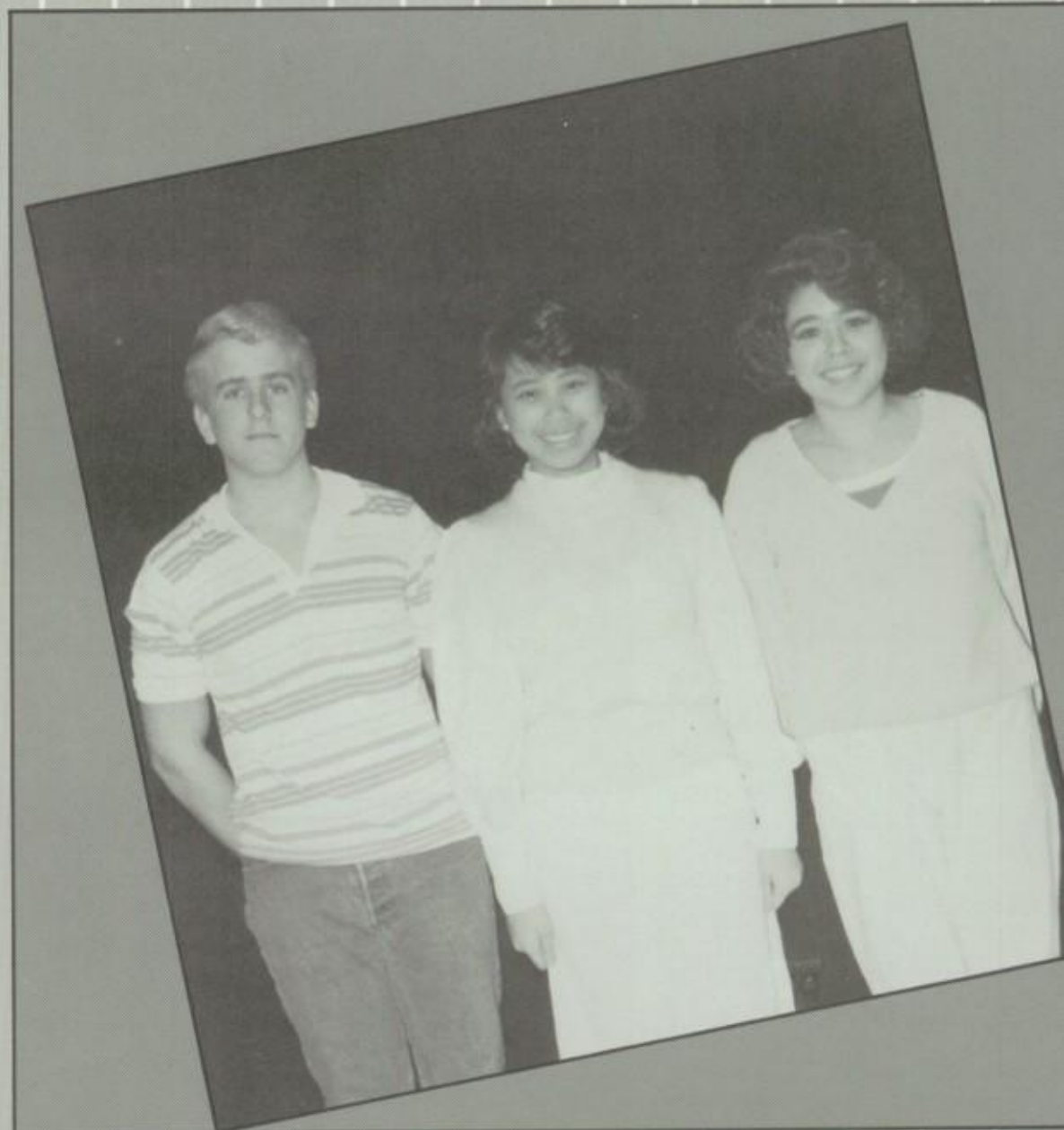
What do you do when you are bored? What do you do when you like to surf and there isn't a beach for miles around? A few people found a way to surf in land-locked Atwater without even having a beach.

Eric Northern and Pat Gallagher were two inventive individuals who said that skimboarding was, "Kinda like skateboarding; you do tricks and stuff but it's done on water."

This may be a dangerous sport, but they say it's a lot of fun.

Equipment needed was a wooden skimboard, an empty grass field flooded, and a hot day.

To be or not to be class officers. Mike Brown, Gade Phantawang, and Ruth Torres.



Victoria Aguirre  
Mike Albright  
Kelly Alexander  
Robin Alicki  
Allison Alecia

Tim Allman  
Pamla Amos  
Eric Andersen  
Stacie Anderson  
Chrissy Angelino







Thomas Armstrong  
Jose Arauz  
Brian Arredondo  
Kathy Atkinson  
Taft Aujero  
Julie Austin

Melissa Avitia  
Jose Ayala  
James Baguio  
Perminde Bains  
Joie Balestra  
Kendrick Barnes

Robert Barnes  
Gilda Barron  
Mike Barry  
John Beard  
Michelle Beck  
Tony Becker

Alexander Beltran  
Ernest Beltran  
Daina Berry  
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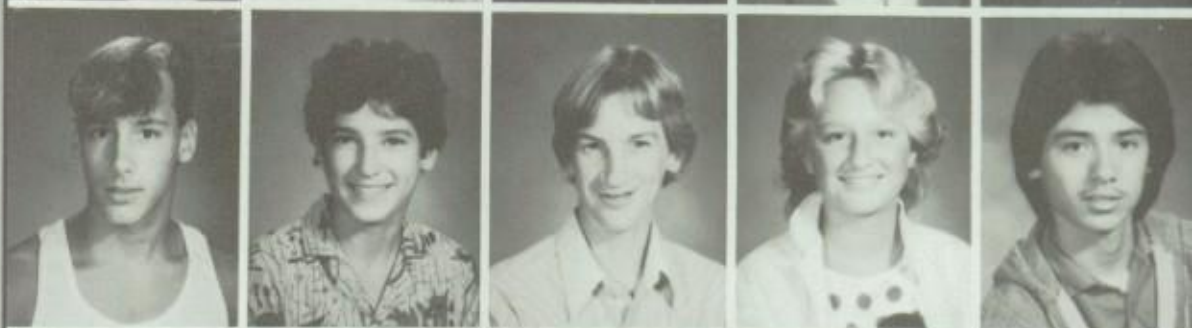
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Lori Burton



Ricardo Bussard  
Floyd Buttke  
James Butrym  
Danielle Buzbee  
Pat Cabanas



Victor Calip  
Liz Call  
Brenda Callahan  
Felecia Campbell  
Andrea Cardoza



Linda Carlos  
Shannon Carlton  
Jason Carman  
Paul Carmona  
Charles Carrero



Maryanne Carroll  
Lesa Carter  
Rick Casaday  
Ronald Casares  
Gina Casso



## Art Was Against the Rules? by Stephen D. Kuykendall

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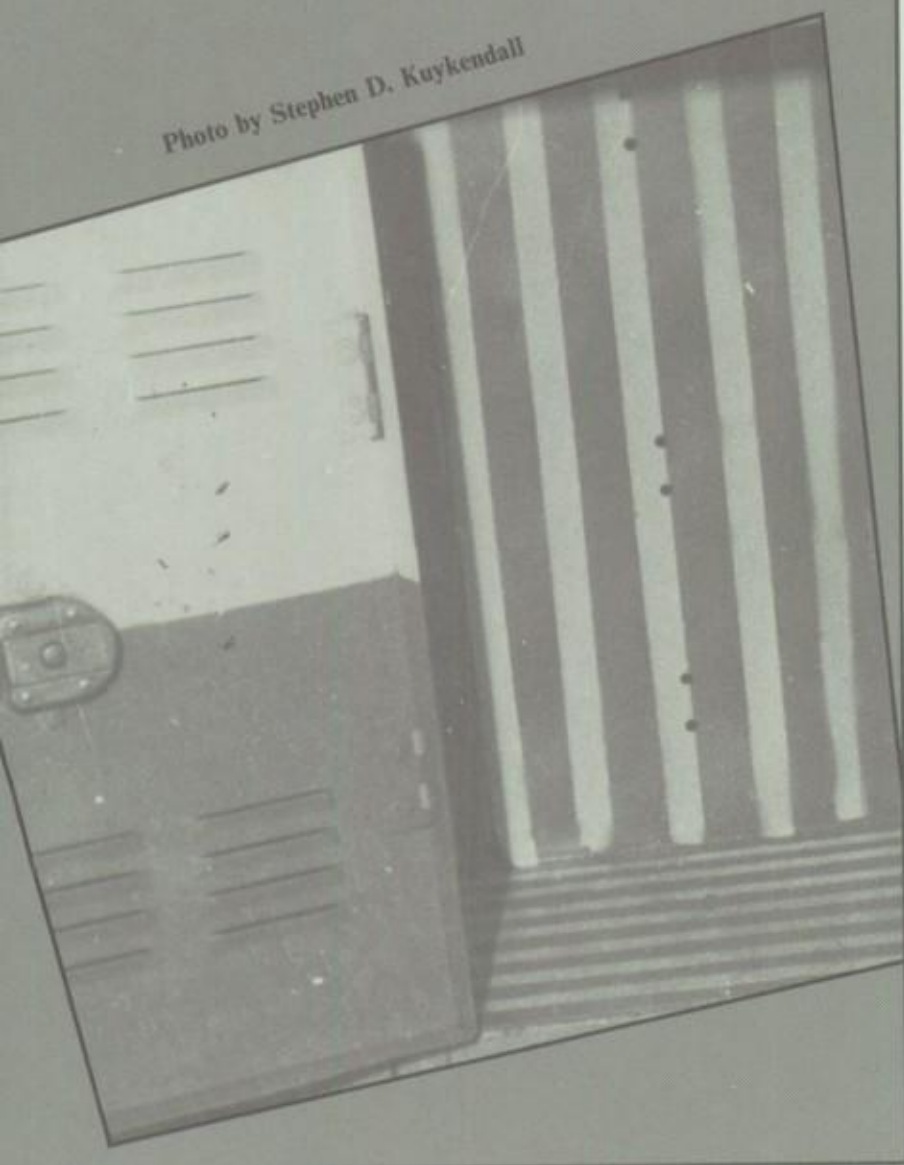
Defacing public property. That was what school administration called it when a person tried to enhance the inside of their locker by painting it. Locker painting had evolved from the primitive form of a quick spray job (which looked like vandalism) to the intricate art of taping and spraying.

There was one person who spent large amounts of free time at night and during the weekend

pursuing the hobby of painting lockers. The methods the artist used had evolved with every locker done. It took an average of one and a half hours to two hours to just tape the lockers off, and about three hours to complete all the work. Painted lockers were more than just one color. They were multi-colored, containing painted lettering and shapes. Why would somebody have spent all this time and



Photo by Stephen D. Kuykendall



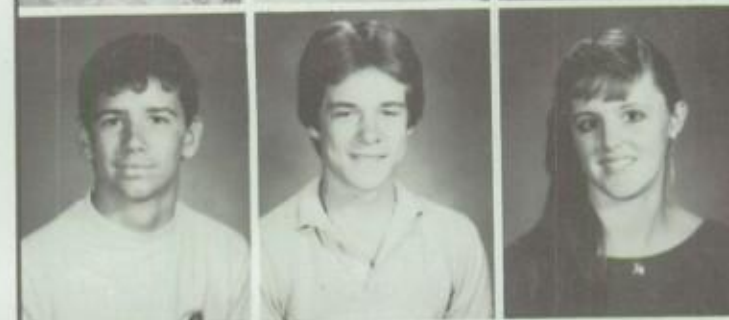
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Allen Cline  
Christine Cloak



Cherie Coburn  
Ronnie Cockrum  
Ronald Codd  
Nikki Cole  
Jennifer Collins  
Robin Collins  
Marsela Contreras

**"It's real gratifying when you're finished!"**

risked getting in trouble to paint a locker? "Well," the artist stated, "it's real gratifying when you're finished."

When a picture of a locker the painter above worked on was shown to Mr. Warden, Vice-Principal in charge of discipline, he commented, "It's not his private property," so he would get into trouble.

The artist's response to the private property charge was,

"True, it's not our private property, but as long as it's constructive, what would it hurt?"

The thought of clearing the painting of lockers through the office was also out of the question according to Mr. Warden. The only way to paint lockers without trouble was if the students would have liked to volunteer their time to paint the lockers as directed by school officials.

Locker spirit. This blue and white locker is one example of the artistic work of the "Locker Painter."



Joseph Cook  
Latisha Cook  
Vernon Cook  
Tina Cooksey  
Eusebia Coronado

Rosemarie Coronado  
Jacqueline Cota  
Mike Cotter  
Calinda Coutu  
Justin Covert

William Covert  
Cody Cowden  
Jennifer Cox  
Tiffany Cresci  
Mario Cruz

Trunky Dacuyan  
Robert Dagnino  
Xuan Dam  
Robin Dame  
Helen Danford

Micheal D'Antonio  
Deon Darnell  
Rebecca Daura  
Greg Davis  
Mike Davis

John Debettencourt  
Alvina Decouteau  
Lara DeGeorge  
Steve Delanghe  
Mark Derber



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## Sophomores at Ease! by Karen Petersen

The class of '88 was a class known for having many sophomores on varsity athletic teams.

There were three sophomores at ease, (who were on the Varsity Volleyball team). They were: Pam Buchanan, Tammy Farmer, and Melissa Vieirra. These girls played for the J.V. team as freshmen. All three of them

were good players or they wouldn't have been on the Varsity squad.

Volleyball is a skillful game, especially on the varsity team. The varsity squad had some tough competitors, such as Merced and Turlock. This highly skilled game takes a lot of patience to play. Pam Buchanan





Andrew Dewitt  
John Diaz  
Fernando Diaz  
Veronica Diaz  
James Dibartolo  
Marna Dick  
Roger Dickey

Regina Dietz  
Charles Donnell  
Mike Dotson  
John Dudley  
Sylvia Duncan  
Michelle Dunn  
Bill Dunning

Sophomores standing at ease. Pam Buchanan, Tammy Farmer, and Melissa Vieirra, all sophomore members of varsity volleyball.



**"It feels uncomfortable at first . . ."**

noted the difference between J.V. and Varsity teams, "Varsity has more competition than J.V."

Being on the power hitting varsity team, there was quite a bit of pressure on these sophomores. Melissa conversed on how she felt being on the varsity team, "You feel privileged. It

feels comfortable at first, but then you feel as if you're a big part of the team."

Tammy described playing with the other seniors and juniors, "At first, when you mess up in a game you feel as if the whole team is putting pressure on you, but it really isn't that way at all."



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Not to be"

On Your Mark, Get Set,  
Gone! by Missy Hoban

This title fit sophomore cross-country runner Lisa Wade perfectly due to her ability to keep her beginning group pace all through the race.

Lisa, a veteran runner has competed successfully since the third grade when she began running in road races. Lisa explained, "My dad had to run because he had cancer so I started running with him."

Competition was Lisa's favorite part of running. "I love competing, it's a lot of fun," responded Lisa. Not surprisingly, Lisa prefers runs that take place on cross-country courses. "The scenery doesn't get you bored like on a track," she enthusiastically remarked.

Crossin' the country. Lisa Wade prefers to run where the scenery changes rather than on a track.

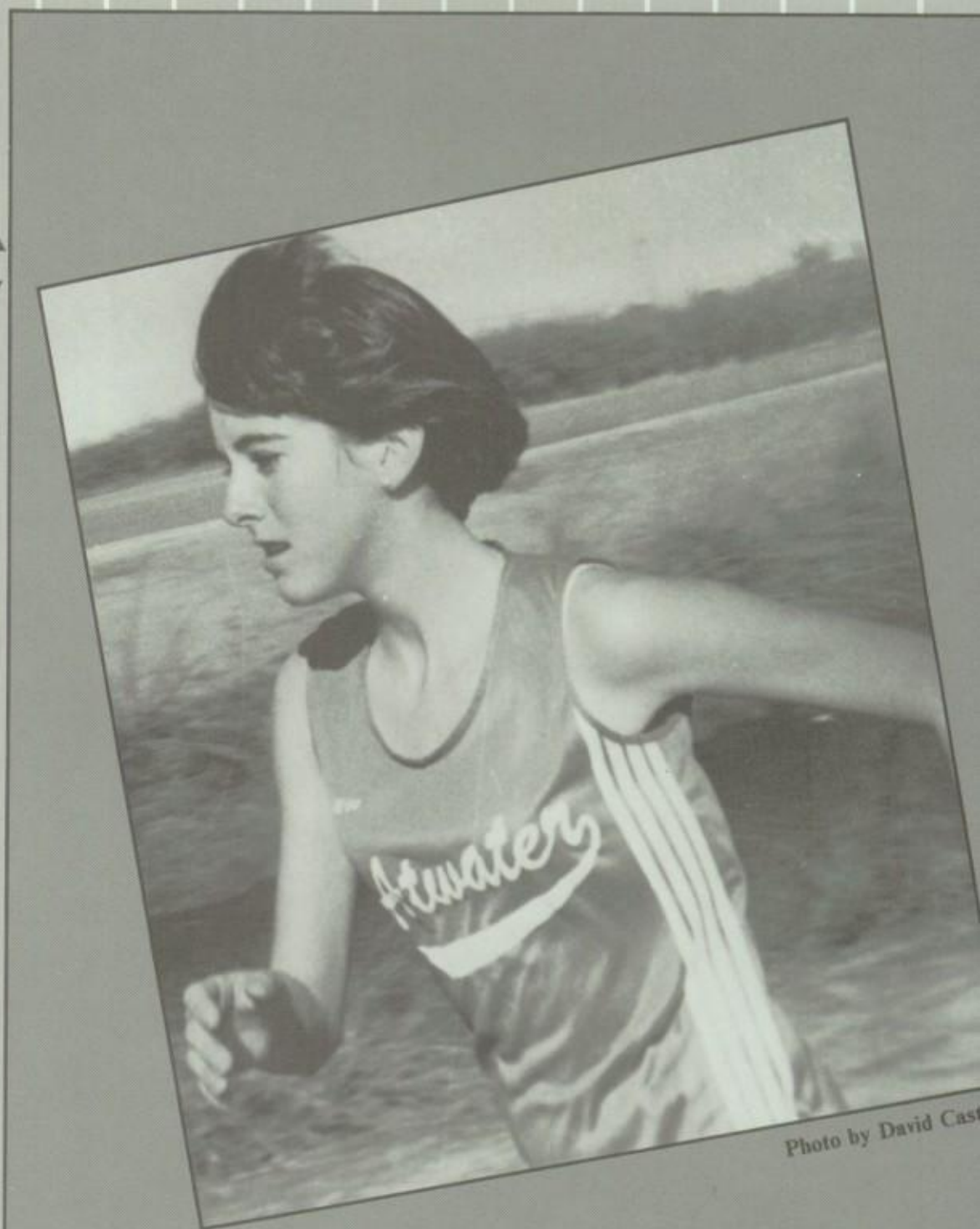


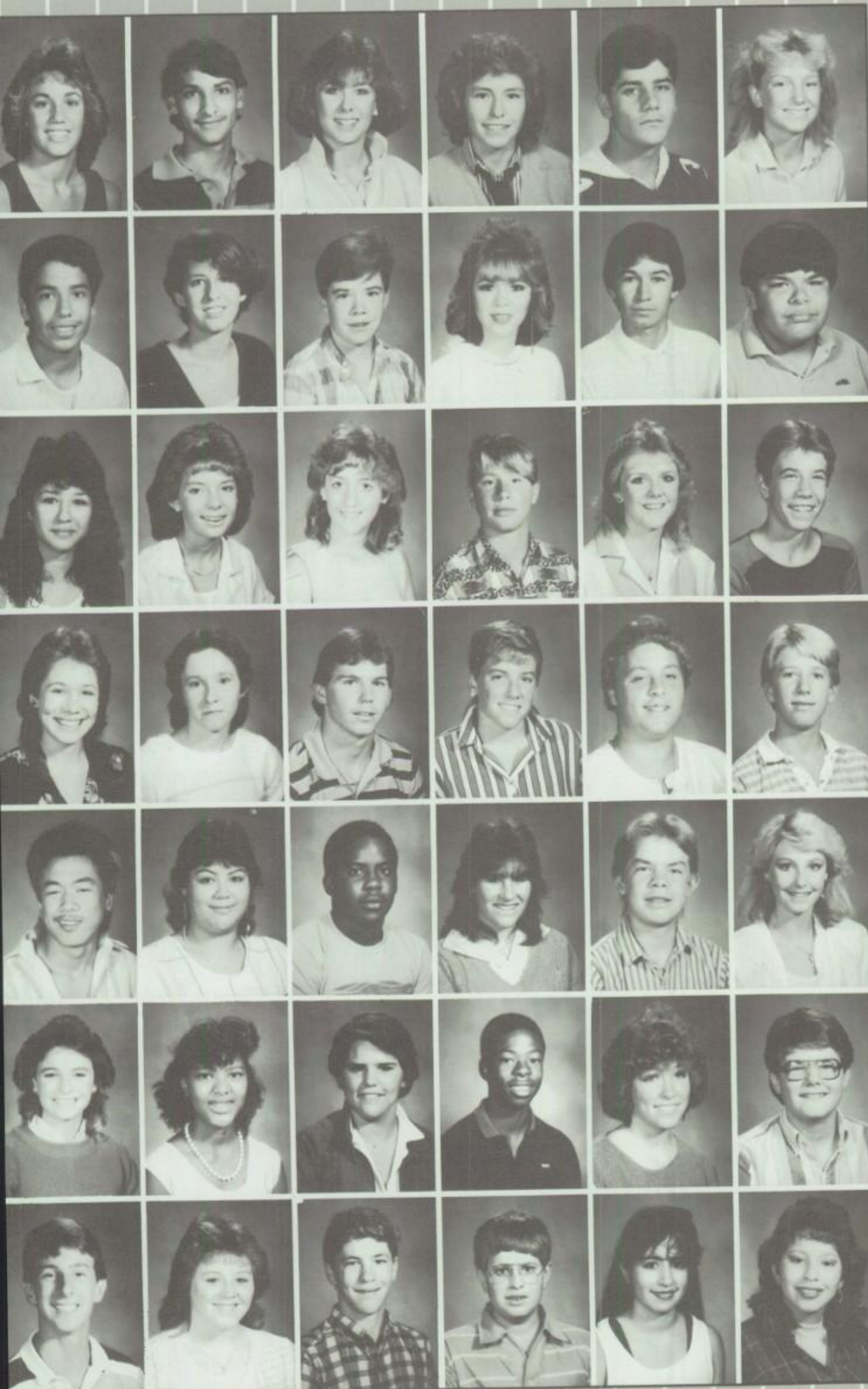
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Raquel Estrada







Tammy Farmer  
Micheal Faulkner  
Melissa Fieber  
Gina Flores  
Manuel Flores  
Mary Freitas

Robert Fuentes  
Melissa Galatro  
Patrick Gallagher  
Gloria Garcia  
Juan Garcia  
Mike Garcia

Norma Garcia  
Connie Gasper  
Andrea Geier  
Shane Gentry  
Dawnita Goodson  
Brad Gort

Wendy Graham  
Michele Gray  
Guy Griffin  
Lenora Grise  
Troy Grissom  
John Grondalski

Chanwhit Growden  
Maribel Gutierrez  
Kara Hall  
Melanie Hall  
Scott Hamilton  
Christee Hansen

Tricia Hardy  
Carmel Harrington  
Shirley Harrison  
Eric Hart  
Heather Hassler  
Joseph Hayes

Chris Heller  
Larie Hembree  
Paul Heppner  
Todd Heppner  
Elisa Hernandez  
Josie Hernandez



Martin Hernandez  
Hank Hickman  
Bebe Hildreth  
Missy Hoban  
Audra Hodges



Kristine Hoover  
Jean Hotte  
Karen Howard  
Edward Howe  
Kisha Hubble



Tim Huling  
David Hunt  
Matthew Hunt  
Michelle Hunt  
Stephani Hunter



Tracey Hunter  
Alan Hutton  
An Ngoc Nuyh  
Bernandi Iran  
Beatriz Iturbe



Kim Jackson  
Lance Jackson  
Regina James  
Anthony Janes  
Ronda Jeffers



## Blue Fever by John Mason

## SOPHOMORES

"To be or

Not to be"

"Kick 'em in the butt big blue" was all I could think of as I got up. The sun was shining through my blue tinted windows as my blue alarm clock was shrieking, telling me to get out of bed. I couldn't figure out what my dream had meant last night, so I put it in the back of my head.

As I walked out the door I felt as if I was the walking flesh of a falcon football stud. My tight 501's and Atwater jersey were strung over my blue Izod shirt. While on my way to school I thought about the big game against Merced. I also thought

about all the school spirit I was to encounter. I could already hear people yelling my name.

"Hey, that's Fred. He scored the winning touchdown against Merced last year."

I yelled back, "That's me!"

As I walked across the campus I noticed a few changes but, I threw that in the back of my head too. I finally noticed somebody. He was my good buddy Rick. Me and him played freshman football together, but he soon moved to Merced.

I could see "KILL ATWATER" posters all over the place and I finally recognized





Audry Jenkins  
Linda Johnston  
Cheryl Jones  
Sam Jones  
Tiffany Jones  
Duane Kamesch  
James Kauth

David Kelley  
Ratree Khanthong  
Rhonda Kilburn  
Sung Kim  
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Andrew Kindred  
Brenda Knapp

Tina Knoblock  
Monique Knoll  
Scott Koehn

Patricia Kovacs  
Mike Krempa  
Virgie Krick

Rodney Lambert  
Sandra Lane  
Rosa Lara

Hang 'em high. Tami Whitted and Patty Lewis hanging Merced's bear in spirit of the game.

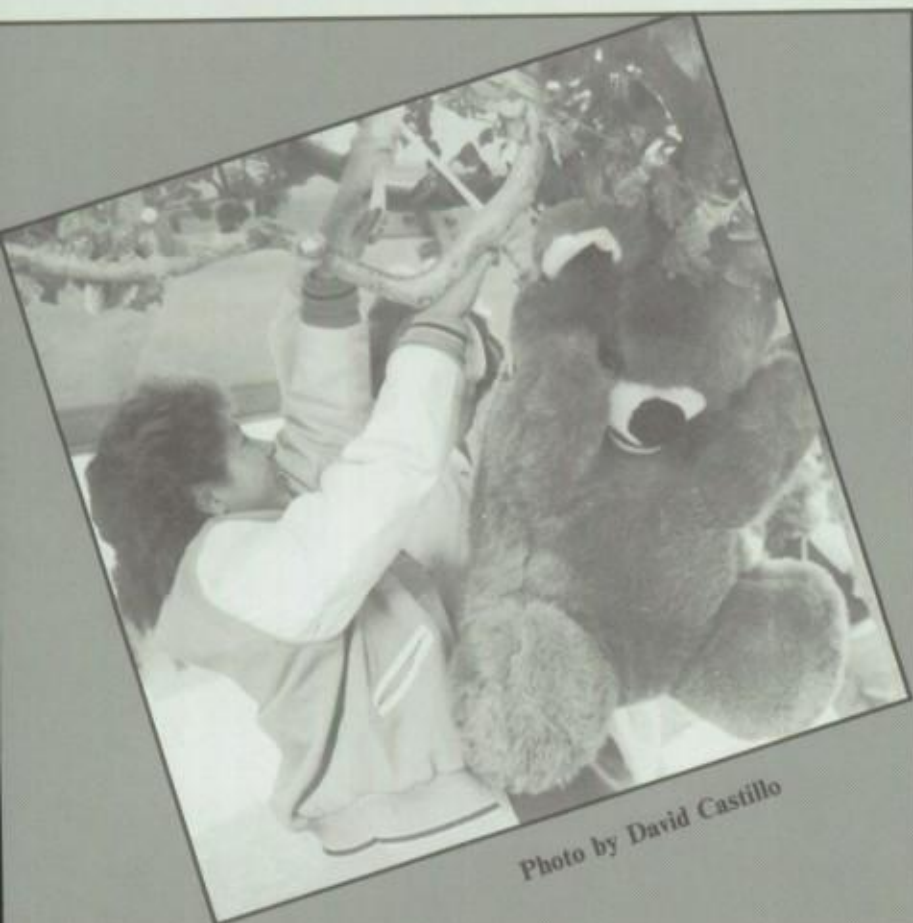


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**"I promise I will never wake you up again."**

what had happened. My big ego marched me right down Santa Fe right into enemy territory, the big black and orange, and otherwise known as bear country.

Before I could do anything I felt the black and orange fever all over my face in the forms of boots and fists. I couldn't believe it. Even their girlfriends were getting into it.

I saw the principal run out of his office with the camera in his hand getting ready to take a picture of this historic moment. As they went to tear my jersey off my body I went nuts. Never

in history had a Bear gotten the last laugh on a Falcon (except by cheating).

I gave no mercy as I went for the throat. I left no one standing. All I could think of was "Kick 'em in the butt big blue," as I went after the principal. I saw terror in his eyes as I set a path right for this office. As I ran in, I felt a crack and a thump over my head.

When I came to, I noticed that I wasn't in Merced, but in Atwater. I was sitting in a pile of blue rubbish. I could tell it had once been my bedroom by all the Atwater jerseys and

rooster posters on the wall. I could see that all that was left was blue rubble and a few of my brothers and sisters. The red cross had gotten there and started to pull my family out of the ruins that had once been my bedroom and Merced in my nightmare.

I caught up to my mom as they were putting her into the ambulance. She was badly beaten up. I asked her who had done this and promised her revenge. All she said was, "I promise I will never wake you up again the morning you have to play against Merced."



Allene Law  
Thanh Le

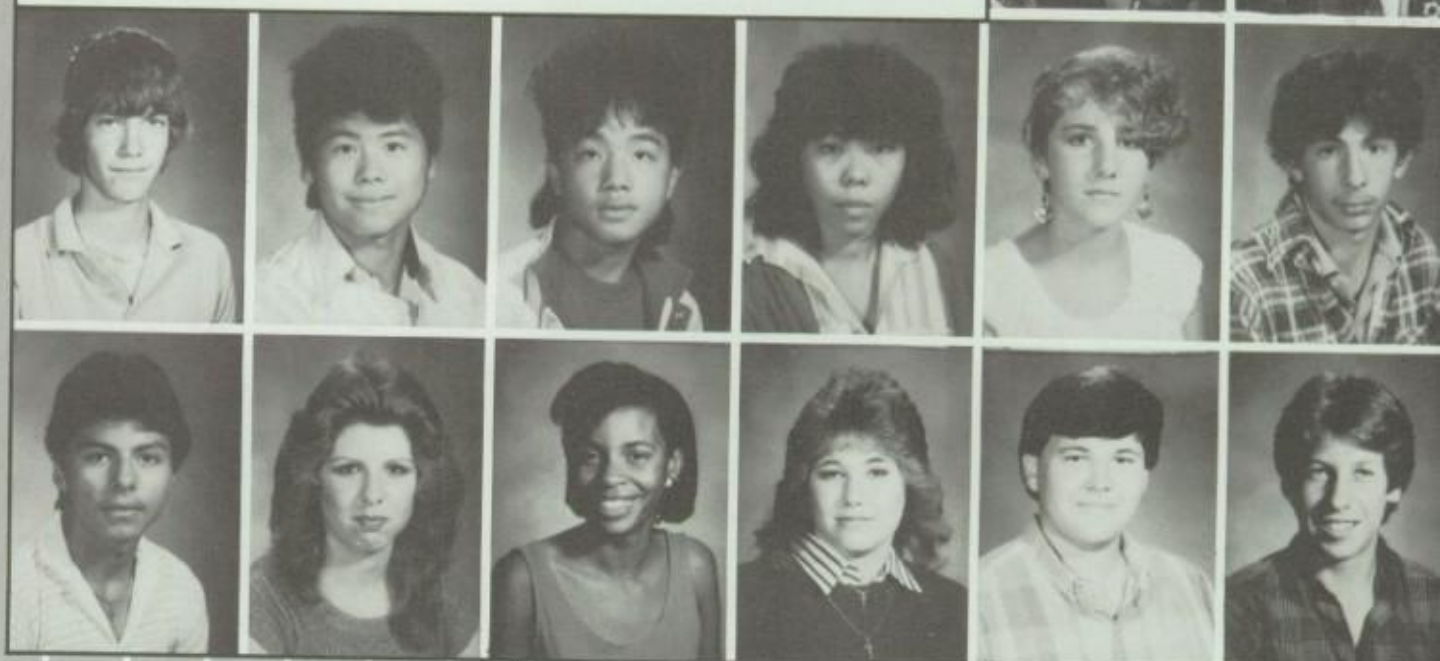
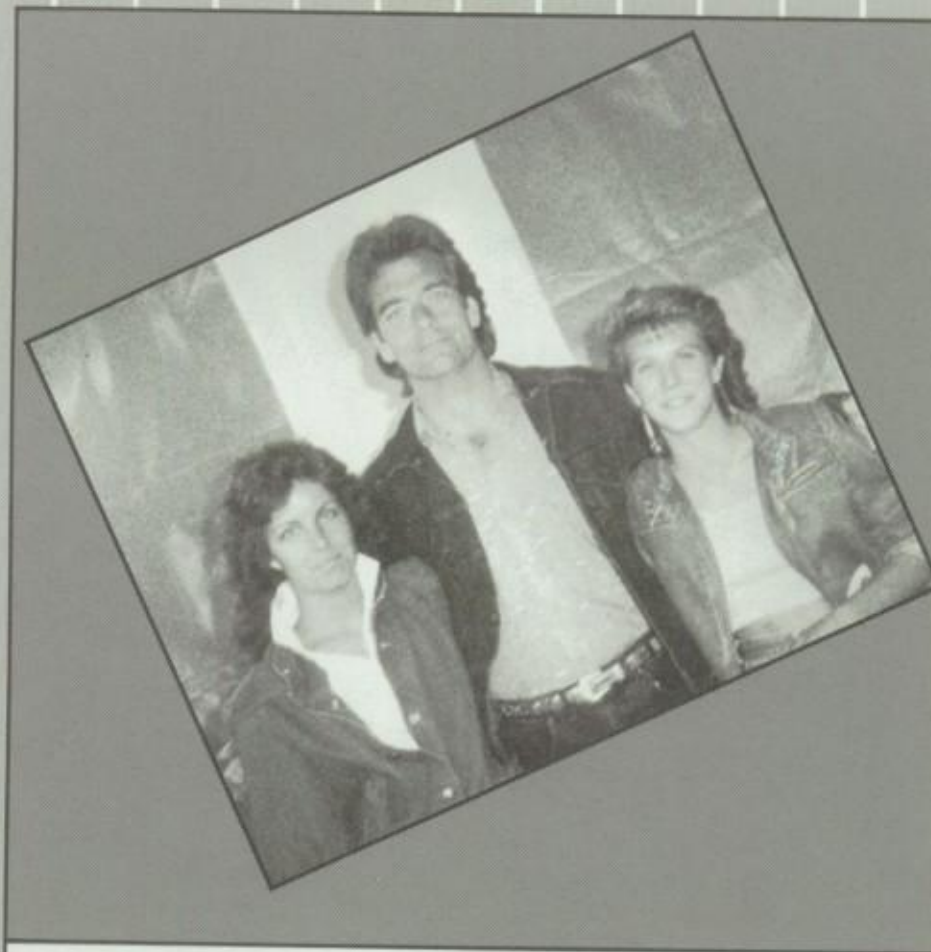
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Star Company. Aunt Eileen, Huey Lewis, and Apryl Rogers all appeared in the video "The Power of Love."

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Seng Lee  
Toua Lee  
Yang Lee  
Carol Lema  
Paul Lencioni

Marco Leon  
Jeana Lett  
Charla Lindsay  
Kelly Lingenfelter  
Larry Lingenfelter  
Martin Little



## SOPHOMORES

"To be or

Not to be"

### Apryl Rodgers and the News by Michelle Shankle

If you have seen Huey Lewis and the News' video, 'The Power of Love,' perhaps you have also seen Atwater High School's own Apryl Rodgers.

Apryl met Huey Lewis through her Aunt Eileen, who was introduced to Huey Lewis by Bill Gibson, drummer for the News.

Apryl can still remember the phone call she received on that hot day in June. "When I answered the phone, I never expected to hear my aunt asking me to come to Marin County and do a video with her, and

Huey Lewis and the News. At first I was in a state of shock, then I asked, 'Who me? You'd better believe it!'"

The afternoon after she arrived at her Aunt Eileen's house, they went to 'Uncle Charles Bar' where the video was filmed and where Huey Lewis and the News got their start. While they were waiting to be let into the studio, they saw Huey Lewis hiding behind cars to keep his fans from spotting him. When there were no more cars to hide behind, he made a run for the studio doors.





Jerome Liversedge  
Derek Logan  
Alex Lopez  
Tony Lopez  
Sylvia Lopez  
Anthony Love

Latonya Love  
Greg Lowenstein  
Robert Lunsford  
Anita Lyngle  
Mal Machado  
Maria Macias

Max Madayag  
Lori Maddox  
William Maddox  
Jason Mahy  
Darla Mangrum  
Frank Martinez

Juan Martinez  
Luis Martinez  
Yvette Martinez  
Kim Mashburn  
John Mason  
Angela Matthews

Lindee Mattos  
David McBride  
Heather McCann  
David McConnell  
Terri McCreary  
David McDowell

### "Who me? You'd better believe it!"

The first day lasted from about 4:00 P.M. to about 3:15 A.M., doing nothing but standing around and dancing. "The first time I had ever heard the song 'The Power of Love' was the day of the video. I liked it, but by the time it was time to go home that morning, I got tired of hearing it."

After the video was finished Huey Lewis asked Apryl if she would like to come to one of his concerts in California. She of course said, "Yes! I would love to!" He then gave her two free tickets and two back stage

passes.

While doing the finishing touches on the video, she met Steve Perry and the rest of the members of Journey. She also meet Christopher Lloyd, the "mad" scientist in the movie "Back to the Future," who offered her a ride in the de Lorean, the "time-travel" car in "Back to the Future."

Apryl claimed "This was the best summer of my entire life."



Yolanda McGlothlin  
 Danny McIlhatton  
 Kelly McKinley  
 Dana McManigal  
 David Meinke  
 Denise Meissonnier



Fred Mello  
 Anna Mercado  
 Connie Miller  
 Eileen Miller  
 Kurt Miltenberger  
 Shawn Mims



Donna Montoya  
 Brian Moore  
 Carol Moore  
 Missy Morgan  
 Angela Morris  
 Deborah Motton



Phang Moua  
 Choua Mua  
 Todd Mueller  
 Sayf Munir  
 Gilbert Munoz  
 Teresa Muses



Greg Myers  
 Debra Nabholz  
 Dayna Nachtigal  
 Tim Newman  
 Cuc Thi Nguyen  
 Dung Nguyen



Tien Nguyen  
 Joel Nichols  
 Joseph Nichols  
 Wesley Nirmala  
 Beth Norman  
 Maurice Norman



Eric Northern  
 Devin Nugent  
 Robert Ornelas  
 Ernesto Orozco  
 Joel Ortega  
 Rafael Ortega



Lacrisa Ortiz  
 Trina Ortiz  
 Patrick Ott  
 Joseph Pacheco  
 Silvana Pacheco  
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"To be or

Not to be"

A Steadfast Friend  
by Eileen Miller

A single flower grows alone  
in a field of grass, standing tall,  
a sentinel in the world.

While all around the grass  
laughs and talks about the dif-  
ference to be found between the  
two.

Then the lone flower dies  
from the sadness that can be  
found deep in the heart of all of  
us who are different to the end,  
never having had a true friend.

And after he was gone the  
grass often looked to the place  
where the tall red beauty had  
stood and found only the naked  
spot and a few wilted remains.

Then with the deep insight  
granted only in times of great  
loss, the grass realized that dif-  
ference can never lessen beauty,  
and that we seldom appreciate  
the true worth of a steadfast  
friend until he is gone.

The Three Falconteers. These  
three friends stand together  
through everything. Eileen Miller,  
Tracey Row, and Tammy Farmer.

Kristina Parker  
Jeffrey Parsley  
Karen Patchett  
Angela Pemberton  
Dee Pemberton

Deborah Perez  
Bernadet Perreira  
Paul Perry  
Timothy Perry  
Gerald Peterson





Mai Phan  
Gade Phantawong  
Danny Phillips  
Melissa Phillips  
Kim Pickett  
Roxanne Picklesimer



Kitt Pilachai  
Yolanda Pimentel

Mike Pina  
Wanda Pipkin

Fernando Pires  
David Pisacco



Photo by David Castillo



"What? I didn't know that?" Audra Hodges looking puzzled.

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## Did You Know? by Tami Whitted

Did you know that J. Wesley Phillips from Lubbock, Texas left school in the 5th grade? At the age of 87, he returned to the 5th grade to complete school. Unlike the rest of his fellow students, he was not required to have his parents' signature for his report card.

Did you know that some people actually ate pet food? Researchers at Virginia have estimated that at least 225,000 American households, affecting

some one million persons, consumed pet food.

Did you know that Pauline Musters was known as the shortest mature adult alive? Pauline, a Dutch midget, was born in Ossendrecht, February 26, 1876. At the age of 19, the time of her death, she was 23.2 inches tall. Her weight varied from about 7 to 9 pounds.

Did you know that our America National Symbol was almost a turkey? If Benjamin





Jerry Pitcock  
Lora Pizarro  
Aaron Plagenza  
Gay Lyne Plesic  
Juliet Plumlee  
Kathy Plummer

Cherie Pollard  
Jason Porter  
Karen Porter  
Latonya Powell  
Steven Presnell  
William Procko

Deborah Puku  
John Quinn  
Amy Radwick  
Pedro Ramirez  
Juan Ramos  
Brett Reed

Reggie Reese  
Stacy Rentfrow  
Lenny Richards  
Shaulonda Rittenhouse  
Elaine Roberts  
Delia Robles

Franklin had had his way, the presidential seal would have had a turkey on it. Franklin thought the eagle had a bad moral character and that the turkey was much more respectable — and a true native of America.

Did you know that George Washington had slaves? At the time of his marriage to Martha Dandridge on January 6, 1759, Washington's 5,000 acre estate had 49 slaves. Martha's 17,000 acre estate had 300 slaves.



Dee-Anne Rodebaugh  
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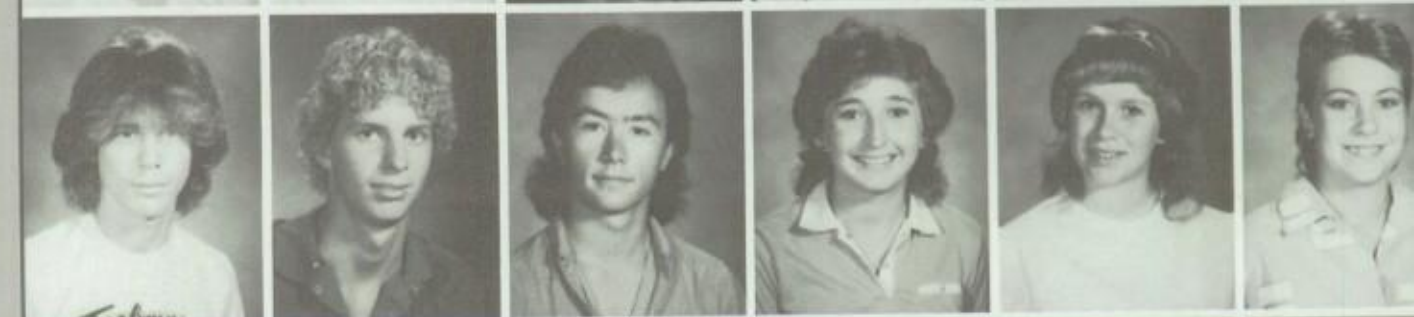
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 David Sears  
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**Tennis Pro Coming Soon  
by Missy Hoban**

The AHS girls' varsity tennis team player, Beth Norman, had yet to become a tennis pro but, "With continued practice her qualities show a lot of future," stated her father, George Norman, a former tennis coach at AHS.

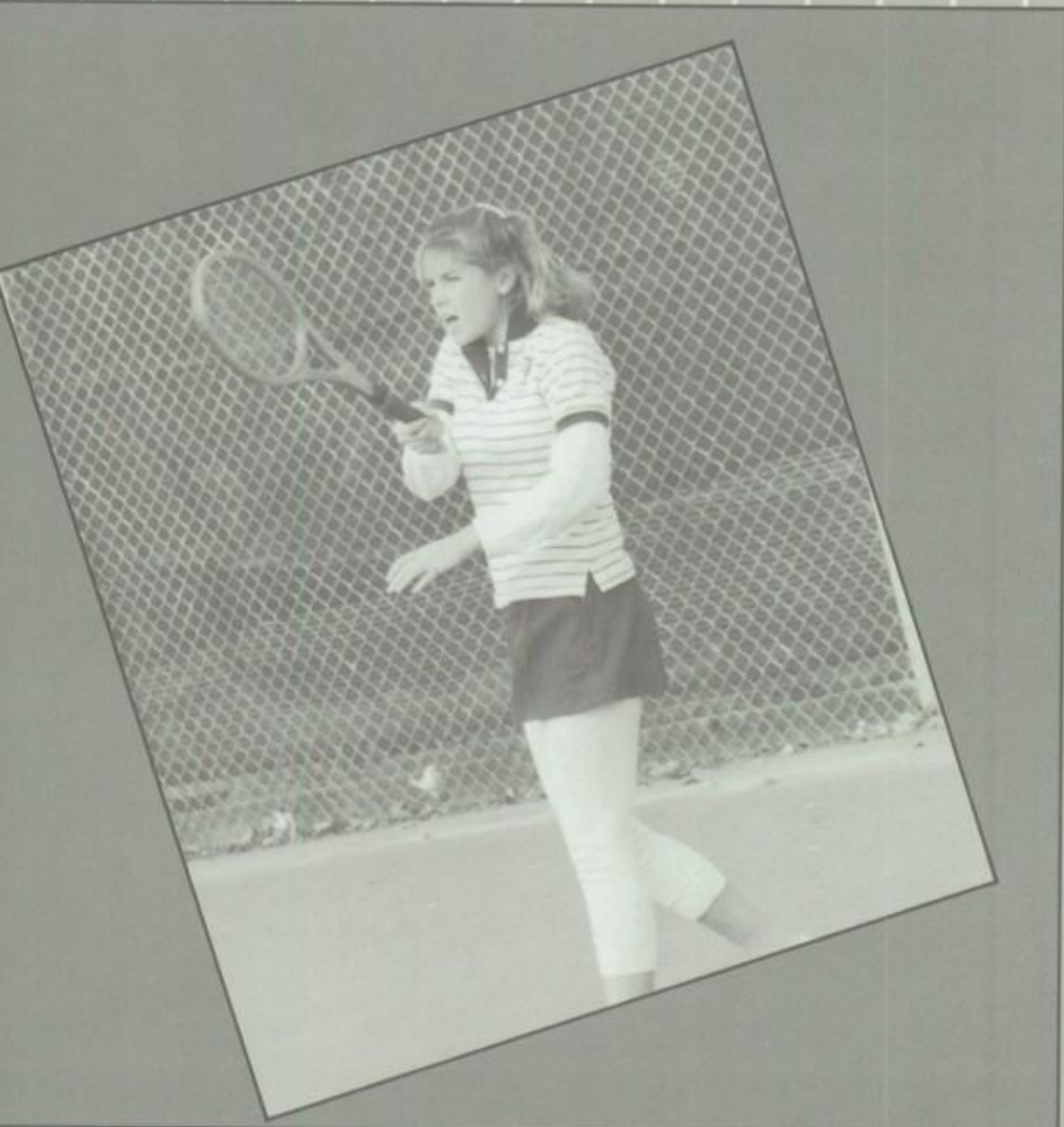
Beth was the only sophomore on the varsity team, and the year before she was the only freshman on that team. She felt that her being a sophomore really didn't make a difference. Beth remembered that being the only freshman, "... was a lot of fun. I had an advantage because my opponents were intimidated by me."

The number one spot was held by Beth. That really didn't seem unbelievable though since she'd been playing tennis since she was in the fifth grade, although not competitively until two years later.

"Love" that tennis. Beth Norman vigorously playing her sport.

Karen Souza  
Sharissa Sparks  
Sheryl Stanke  
Ernest Staten  
Paul Stone

Sonny Storey  
Tammy Strawn  
Jeff Stucky  
Lori Studebaker  
Keith Summerton





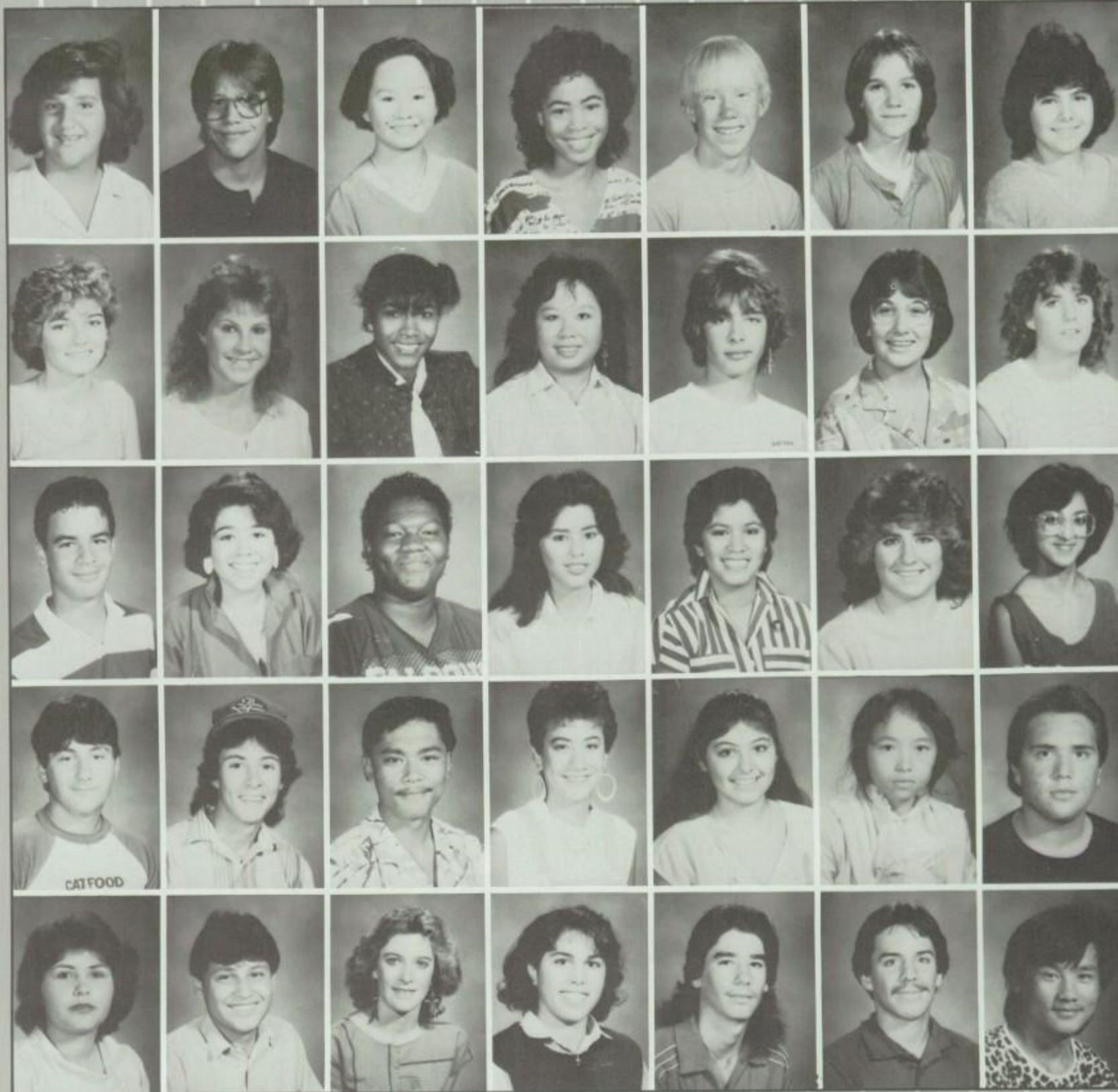
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 James Toews  
 Melanie Toews  
 Beth Tohati

David Tolliver  
 Ruth Torres  
 Andy Townsend  
 Estella Trevino  
 Angela Tristan  
 Carolyn Troxell  
 Cecilia Trujillo

David Turk  
 Lupe Turrey  
 Antonio Tydingco  
 Tracie Untalan  
 Millie Urline  
 Chue Vang  
 Javier Valdez

Raquel Valenzuela  
 Ronnie Valtierra  
 Theresa Victor  
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### They Call Him "Bruce" by Ken Dudley

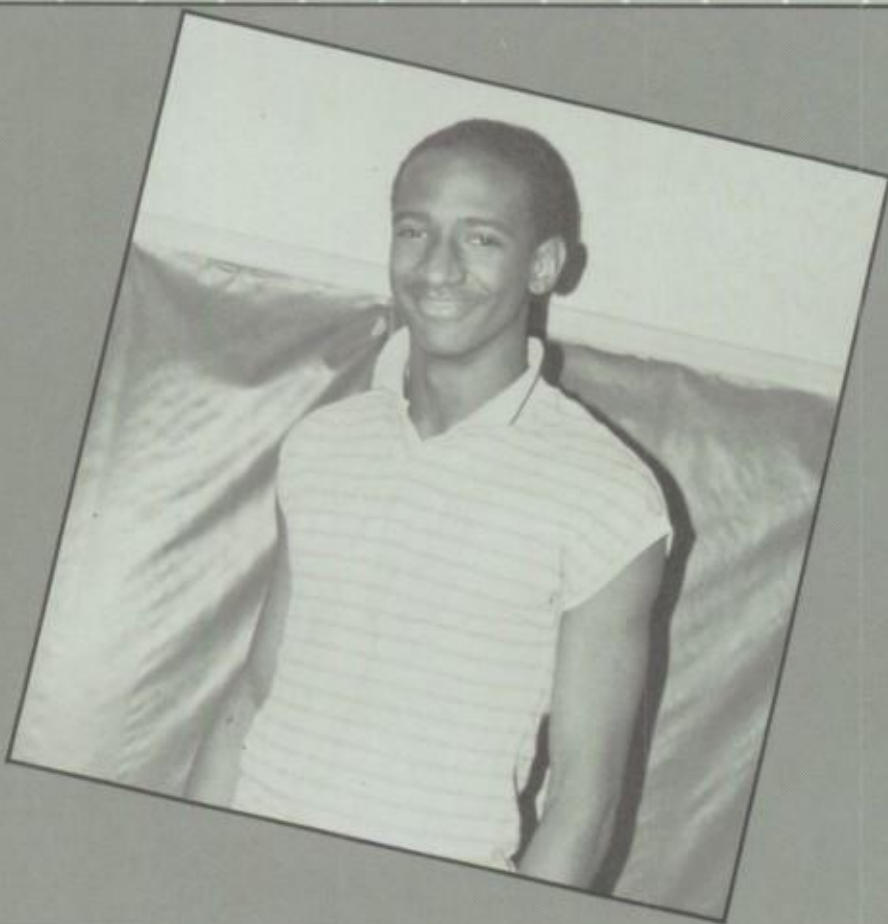
As a former member of 1984 C.C.C. championship freshmen football team, and with talents apparent to the varsity football coaches, Bruce Eason became a proud member of the varsity grid.

Being the youngest player on the team did not bother him. He said, "It feels special being the only sophomore starting on the team. I feel I have something to brag about."

With inspiration from his older brother Roy, Bruce started playing in fifth grade with the Winton Cowboys. With a little convincing from his friends, Bruce decided to join the team.

Bruce said that coach Mike Burrows treated him special because he was the so called "baby" of the bunch. Most people would wonder if this affected him.





Sophomore star. Bruce Eason, a great player on the varsity football team, from the sophomore class.



Benjamin Walker  
Lisa Walsh  
Sandra Ward  
Renee Ware  
Sean Watts

Tracy Watts  
Susan Weisberg  
Melissa West  
Michelle Wharton  
Julie Wheaton

### "I have something to brag about!"

Bruce said, "Yes, it does! I feel that I'm a better person now than I was before."

Senior player John Derr stated that, "He earned his position. If he can handle it, why not."

"He's a good ball player. He's fast and also a quick learner," commented Robert Wall.

Charlie Post, who played in the section playoffs with the varsity squad as a sophomore

said, "He's there to help the team, and right now, he's the best one in his position, he's also a D.B. (Dangerous Brother)."

Bruce demonstrated his ability by rushing for the following game by game: Elk Grove, 12 attempts for 105 yds; Madera, 12 attempts for 141 yds. and 1 TD; Manteca, 12 attempts for 84 yds; Redwood, 10 attempts for 50 yds; Hanford, 17 attempts for 141 yds; Beyer, 16

attempts for 81 yds. and 1 TD; Davis, 4 attempts for 30 yds; Downey, 12 attempts for 138 yds. and 1 TD; Merced, 16 attempts for 106 yds for a total of 855 yards on 114 attempts for an average of 7.5 and had 4 touchdowns to show for it.



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### A Good Day to Die by Eileen Miller

A Friday the thirteenth football game is a dangerous event to attend. So it was with great caution that the fans boarded the rooter bus to Elk Grove.

Only the fact that it was the first football game of the season made it worth braving the world on such a dangerous day. When boarding the rooter bus it seemed quite likely that the buses were never going to make Elk Grove as they creaked and swayed with the weight of fifty excited fans. Finally, the buses

got off with no major injuries, only minor bruises. Football is not only hazardous for players but can also be detrimental to the health of spectators.

Finally the buses arrived in Elk Grove after a perilous journey along danger filled highways with many frightening things, such as small Toyota cars, student drivers and black cats. Bus number one had some minor trouble, but nothing serious enough to stop the determined rooter bus crowd.

Raymond Whitaker  
Steven Whitaker  
Daniel White  
Carl Whitfield



Tami Whitted  
Aaron Widener  
Katherin Williams  
Latisha Williams



Linda Williams  
Shawndel Williams  
Sherry Williams  
Michael Williamson



Monica Wilson  
Stacey Wilson  
Christie Wood  
Patience Woodruff



Bee Xiong  
Teng Xiong  
Thai Xiong  
Chue Yang





**"A perilous journey... along danger filled highways."**

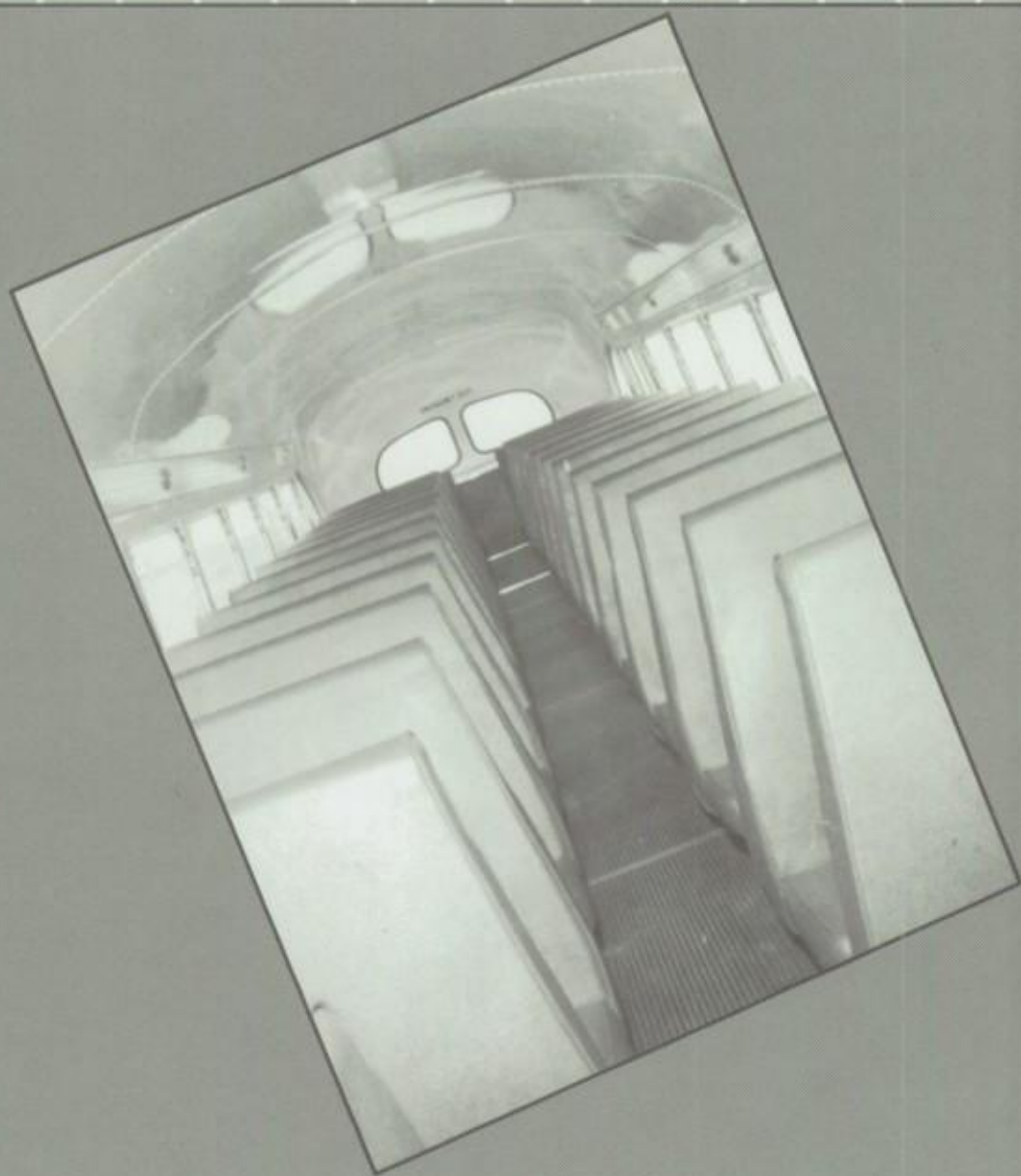
When the Varsity team arrived on the field, the yelling and stomping sounded like a stampede! (And Elk Grove calls themselves the thundering herd?)

The team managed to break the spell of bad luck that traditionally plagues the 13th, winning 7-0 with a Hugh Gary touchdown.

The sophomore team, however, fell victim to the day losing 24-6. Even in losing they played an excellent game.

In the closing minutes of the varsity game the rooter bus crowd let out the spirit yell and it put the opposing team's home crowd to shame and would have woken the dead even on a day when they were sound asleep.

Back on the rooter buses, and on the way home, everyone sat calmly knowing that danger lurked in every corner. An audible sigh of relief could be heard when someone said, "We're safe! It's Saturday the 14!"



"Danger lurking in every corner." Atwater High School's bus carries students to many activities not knowing what's out there.



Khaue Yang  
Visittikarn Yodsoongnern  
Kris Young  
Tracy Yount  
Elsa Zambrano



## Revenge of the Freshmen



**Freshmen Class Officers:** Back row, Dustin Hobbs, Treasurer; Bobby Arnes, Vice-President; Marielle Cartwright, ASBG; Front row; Allison Nunes, Secretary; Kim Stintson, President.

Veronica Acosta  
Kathy Adams  
Marci Adamson  
Anna Aguilar  
Jason Aguirre  
Stacey Albright



Robert Allison  
Gloria Amaro  
Gulya Anaya  
Catherine Anderson  
Cynthia Anderson  
Jeannene Anderson



Bobby Arnes  
Guillermo Arredondo  
Joy Ashlock  
Alex Atkinson  
Steve Attenberry  
Robert Avalos







Tammy Aykroyd  
Henry Baca  
Dawn Bachman  
Kathleen Baldrige



Jorge Barajas  
Robert Baria  
Melissa Bass  
Shelly Baysa



Sharon Becker  
Michael Bega  
Michael Bell  
Michael Belloli



Bill Bennett  
Christine Berry  
Victor Berry  
Renee Bettencourt



William Beutecale  
Tammi Bilbrey  
Ben Bills  
Rosemary Blackshire



John Blevins  
T.J. Blevins  
Tracy Blum  
Lisa Bocanegra



April Borba  
Leigh Botill  
Wallace Brevard  
James Bridges

## On Their Way to the Top by Tony Jenkins

"I was really encouraged by family and friends to run," stated Freshman Student Body President Kimberly Stinson. During the past year Kim was a very active young lady. She was a member of the Freshmen "Rah-Rahs," a member of CSF, and a very hard working student. Kim was the only Freshman officer this year with previous experience. Kim said, "I'm not sure whether or not I will run again next year. I probably will wait until later in high school."

Bobby Arnes was a very interesting officer also. Not only was Bobby an officer, he was a member of Frosh football and basketball. "I will run again next year," he stated, "It was a lot of fun being Vice President."

"Although I never had any previous experience in student council, I enjoyed this position very much," said Freshman Student Body Secretary Allison Nunes. Allison was a very active and energetic person. Allison confidently stated, "I will run for re-election next year and with a lot of support, I will win."

Stated Dustin Hobbs, "Money is a wonderful thing and I love it." Dustin is the Treasurer for the Class of 1989. Dustin said he liked his job, but he didn't get to do that much. "Mila Hoban and Terri Brown really influenced my decision to run for office. I really love my position and will definitely run again next year."

When interviewing Marrielle Cartwright, Freshman Student Body ASBG, the only thing she was sure of was that she would not run for re-election next year.



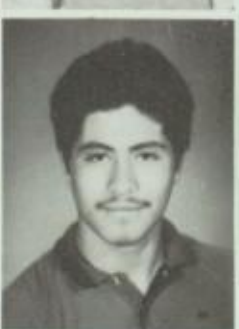
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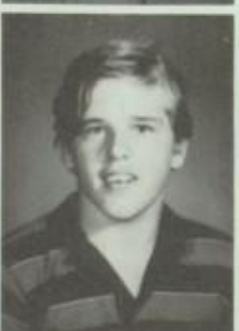
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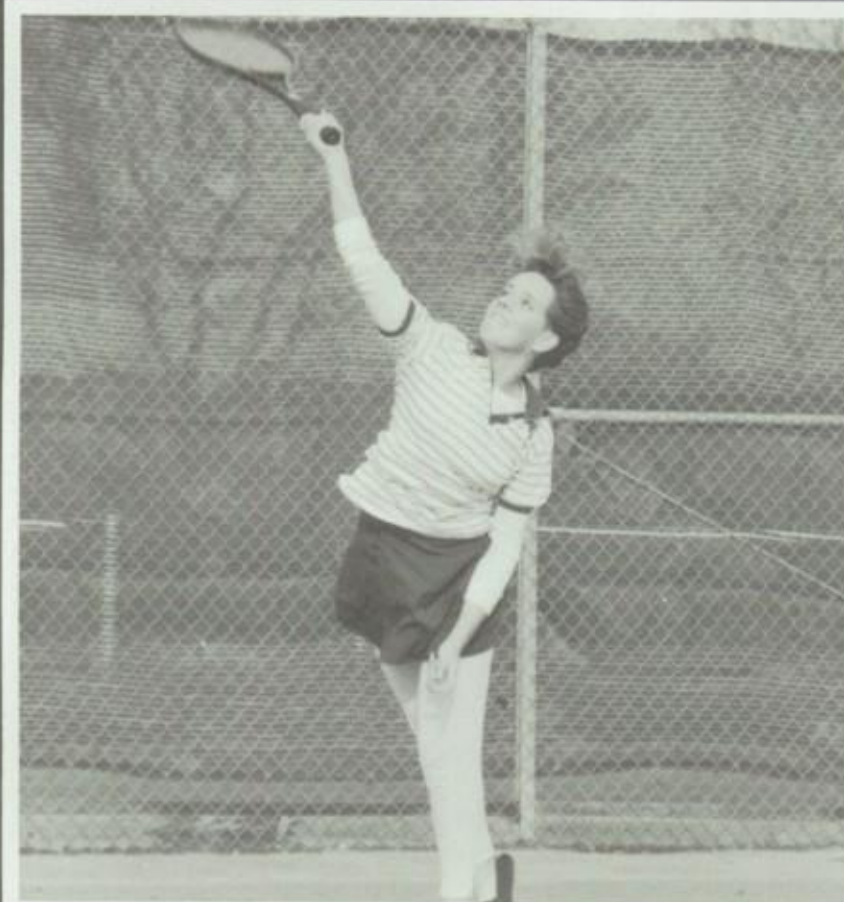
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Rudy Carrillo  
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Marielle Cartwright  
Jeffery Casaday  
Lesley Casperson  
Mike Casso  
Ruth Castillo



**Super Smasher. Beth Stanley showing her tennis talent.**







Kevin Chambers  
Say Chan  
Jamie Chandler  
Kevin Chandler



Cynthia Chavez  
Denise Chernoff  
Greg Chin  
Wendy Chittenden



Peter Choi  
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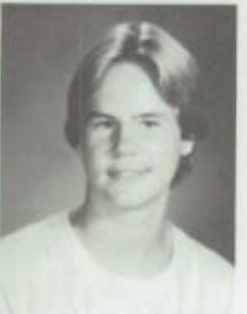
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Eric Constable  
Jaimson Constable



Tina Conte  
Olga Contreras  
Angela Cook  
Robert Cook

## Freshman "Super" Smasher by Heather Richards

"If you had ever seen Beth Stanley battling it out on one of the varsity tennis courts, you would be surprised to find out that she was only a freshman.

Although Beth had only been playing tennis for a short time, she was good enough to make the varsity tennis team. Not deterred by older opponents, Beth commented that, "They are intimidated by the fact that I am a freshman."

Although Beth played second string doubles the majority of the time, she had a strong desire to play third string singles. Her goal for the future was to overtake the throne from Atwater High School's number one singles tennis player, Beth Norman.

Beth was excited about being on the varsity tennis team, and thought that, "The team is really great! We work really hard and still have fun. I get teased a lot about being a 'little freshman' but that just makes me work harder to beat the so-called 'upper classmen.' I've met a lot more people through the tennis team I might not have otherwise met."

Beth Norman felt that, "Stanley has a great future ahead of her, as long as she follows in my footsteps."

Revenge of  
the Freshmen



## "You Look Marvelous" by Mary Sampaio

Once again, it was back to school, and many students of Atwater High sported some weird hair. They got their hair changed before school, ready for another interesting year.

The freshman class of '89 consisted of some interesting people who sported this weird hair. "Beth Stanley has weird hair, but it does look good," said Andrea Cunyus.

Beth said she cut her own hair. First she wet her hair, then added mousse, followed by blowdrying. And there you had it! Weird hair.

"Well, I wouldn't change my hair to blend in with other people. I'd rather be different," commented Beth Stanley, hinting that a change could be in the future.

What was weird? Well, it was out-of-this-world haircuts. It could be spiked, shaved, parted at the side, mohawked, a shaved head, long bangs, or that punked look. Punk. That was it! It had a pizzaz. It spiced up that plain look.

Strangely enough, friends were the most important things in our lives. They told us what to do. "My friends did it so I did it, too," said Mark Rogers as though he didn't care. Mike Vanenwagen encouraged him. Mark's hair was bleach blonde, and on the first day of his haircut, it was also colored red and blue.

Oh! Did I hear someone ask how we got weird hair? Well, take an electrical razor, or any other razor, and a pair of scissors. Now, blindfold the victim, and cut his hair like crazy. Unblindfold the victim, and don't let him see his hair until he gets to school. And if he says that a lot of people have been looking at him crazy, tell him to say, "Hey, what can I say? It's weird hair!"

## Revenge of the Freshmen

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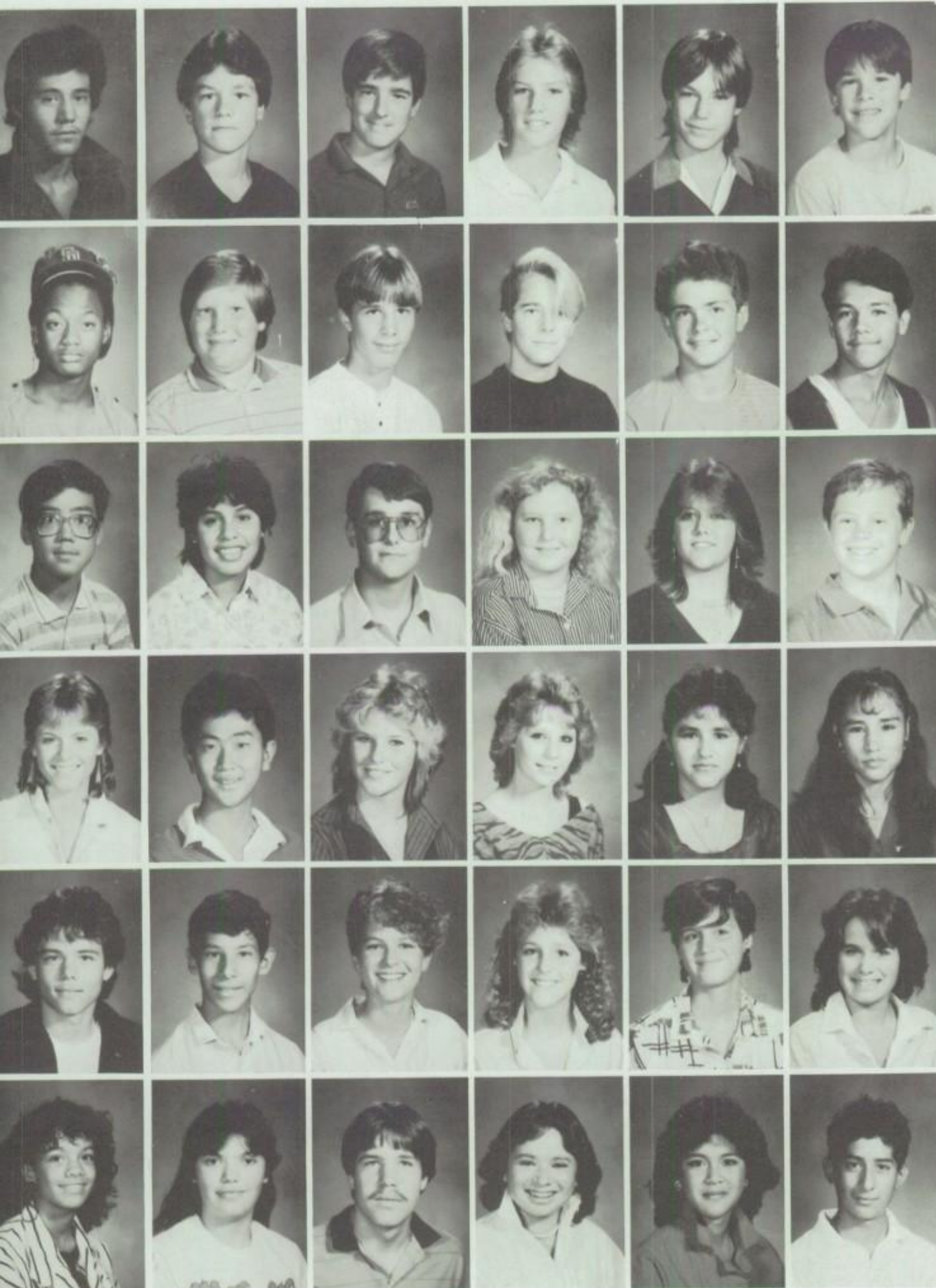
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Corinna Escovedo  
Christine Esparza  
Ernest Espinoza



Mauriso Estrada  
James Ewert  
Perry Farrens  
Jose Fergoso  
Grady Ferguson  
Jason Ferroni



Melissa Figgs  
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Rachel Flores  
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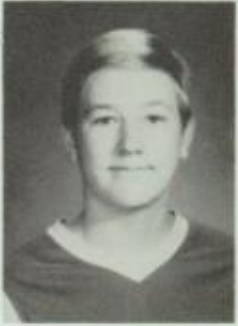
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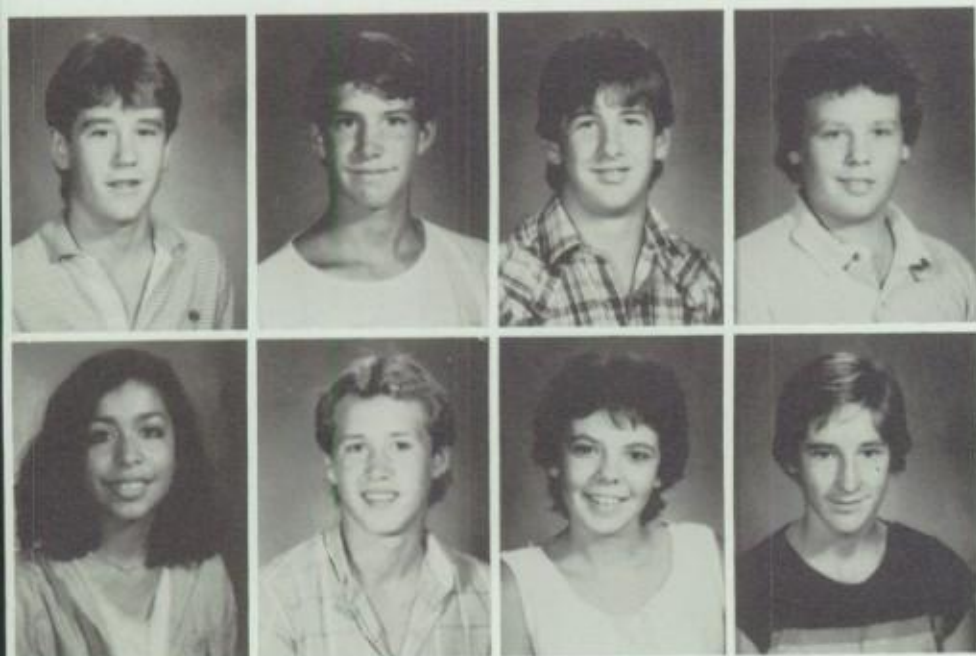


## Head Rah-Rah by Heather Richards

A cheerleader since 4th grade, Allison Nunes admitted her friends influenced her to become a cheerleader. She presided as head Rah-Rah of the Atwater High School Freshman squad.

As head Rah-Rah, Allison had acquired many responsibilities and here were a few. She organized and called practices on a frequent basis and led a squad of eight cheerleaders. She contributed a great deal of time to those squad members needing additional help. Finally, her enthusiasm persuaded her squadmates to keep trying.

Allison stated the squad received a great deal of help from their advisors, Miss Suffecool, Mrs. Franklin and the Jr. Varsity and Varsity squads.



Christopher Greer  
Norman Griffin  
Brian Grissom  
Dale Grissom

Vicki Guerrero  
Jordy Guertin  
Bonnie Guibord  
Daniel Hagen

Top Left. Head Rah Rah. Allison Nunes showing one of her many poses.

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Gary Hallman  
Rhonda Hardin  
Martine Harrington  
James Harris  
Linda Hart  
James Hathcoat  
Lloyd Hatten



Shari Havel  
Kasey Haynes  
Mary Hayes  
Tasha Hayes  
Debbie Hensley  
Richard Henson  
Stephen Herlend



More is better.  
Janena Ellis,  
Melody Mat-  
thews, and Ofelia  
Ramirez showing  
that the more  
friends the mer-  
rier.



Carmen Hernandez  
Victor Hernandez  
Dina Herrera  
Kimberly Higgins  
Janet Hightower  
Cheryl Hilliard  
Ivan Hitomi



Angela Hix  
Eric Hixson  
Dustin Hobbs  
Ann Mari Hogan  
Kristy Hoofard  
John Hoover  
Carol Hope







Scott Hosburgh  
Terry Hotte  
Rutha Howard  
Connie Howell



Nancy Huertaz  
Kelly Ann Hyde  
David Ivy  
Belynda Jackson



Kathy Jantz  
Antoinio Jenkins  
Katrina Jenkins  
Ryan Jezek



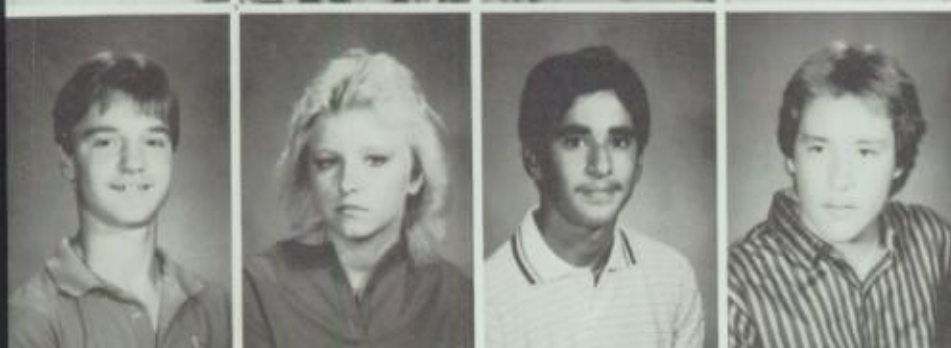
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Roger Johnson  
Steven Johnson  
Donovan Johnston



Monique Jones  
Paul Jones  
Alan Kamykowski  
Loren Kaplan



D.J. Kasper  
Donna Kay  
Shannon Kepschull  
Shaunna Klawitter



John Knerr  
Michelle Koehn  
Gurinder Kooner  
Jimmy Koster

## Is More Really Better? by Stacy Newman

**More! More! More!** That is what students reported the difference was between junior high and high school.

There were more girls, more boys, more people, more people to get to know, and the opportunity to do more activities.

Different students had different views toward what "The More" was that made high school better. Zenaida Reynozo said, "There is a lot of freedom and more boys."

Renee Bettencourt gave her opinion and replied, "there are a lot more boys and the opportunity to do more things."

"High School is more exciting and a lot bigger," said Christine Thompson.

Fourteen year old Jordy Guertin agreed with there being "More" and responded, "there are more girls."

Robert Avalos, formerly from McSwain School said the more was, "people to get to know."

Tracy Penrod agreed with "The More" concept as well as with Robert Avalos and responded, "There is the opportunity to meet more people."



## Atwater Isn't a "Plano" Town

by Eileen Miller

Living in a base town, students got used to the huge rate of transfer, but what did the students moving into Atwater think of our town and school system?

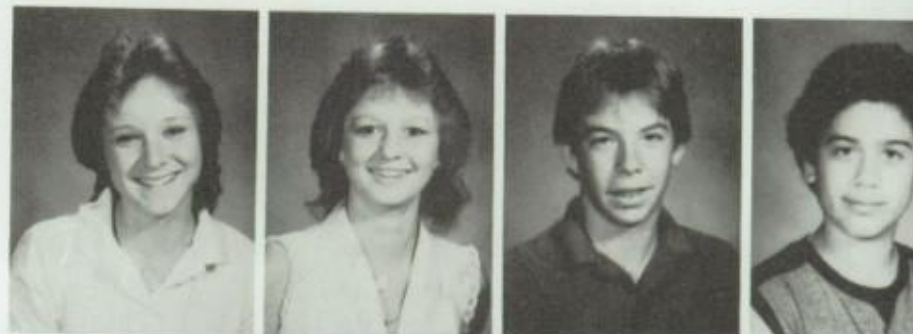
Well here's what Amy and Stephanie Smith thought. They were originally from Plano, Texas a town near Dallas. Amy's first impressions of California were that there was so little flat land, and everything was so green. Stephanie, however, noticed the milder climate and how close the houses were to each other in the larger towns.

Both agreed that Atwater was a really nice town. What struck them the most was how small it was, and how many farms and ranches there were in the area.

The extreme fashions and the friendliness of the people at the local high school were surprising to both of the sisters. "Everyone's really friendly and the school is smaller and more personal than Plano," said Amy.

Contrary to popular belief, we had it pretty easy according to both of the sisters. In Plano the grading system was much harder with the "D's" having been removed. So think about it; what if everything under 70% was an "F"?

Christine Krick  
Tammy Krout  
Jason Kulbeth  
Jaime Lamas



Bob Lasater  
Chao Lee  
Mai Lee  
Pai Lee



Sao Lee  
Buck Ledford  
Gary Ledford  
Tera Lanphear



Russell Lawson  
Sean Lehman  
Sharon Lester  
Leticias Lara



Andrea Lewis  
Misty Lewis  
Patricia Lewis  
Cindy Lincoln



Tiffany Lingenfelter  
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Eric Lockhart



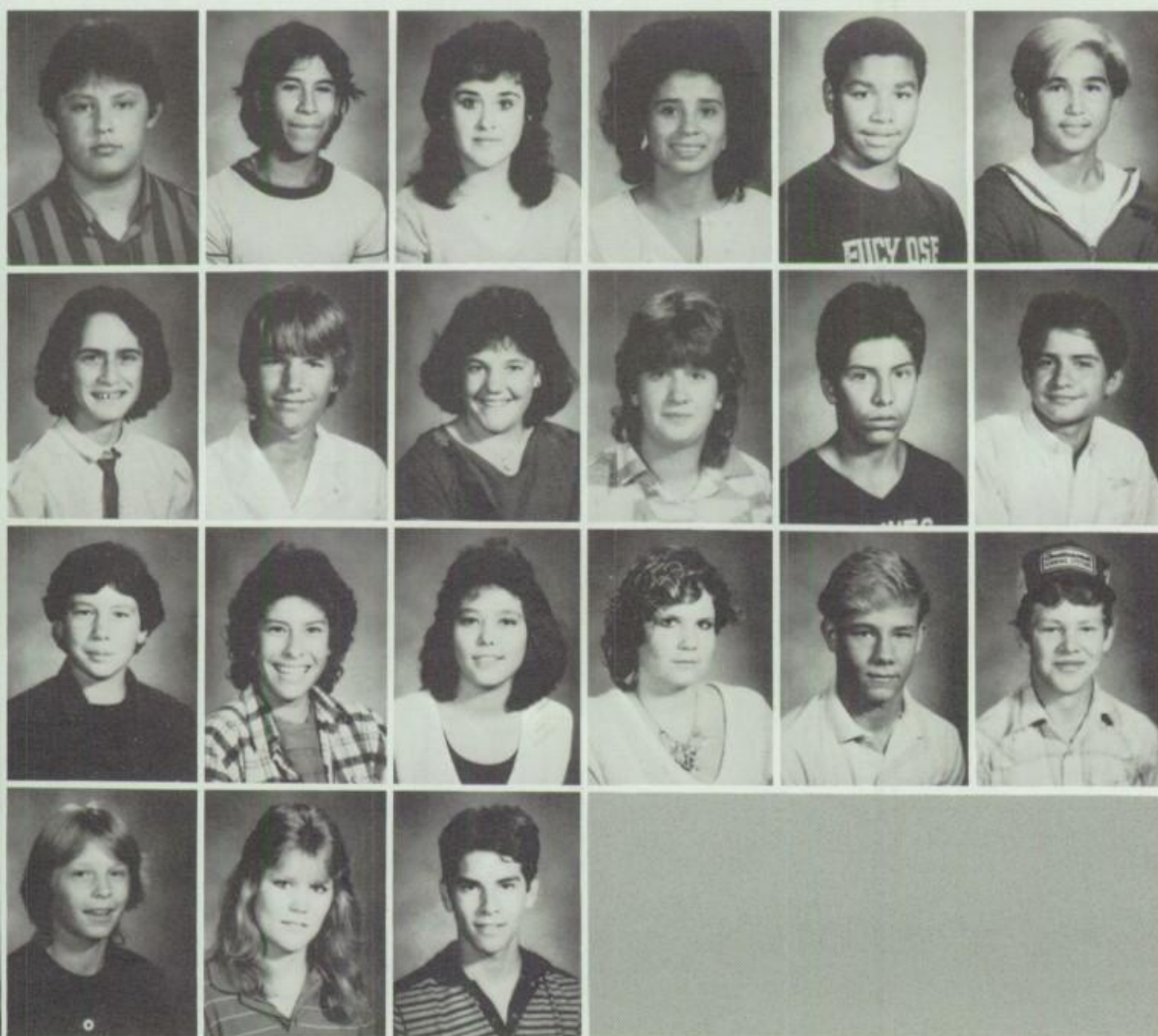
Thomas Longton  
Filomina Lopes  
Alejo Lopez  
Cruz Lopez







**No Plano Town.  
Atwater from a dif-  
ferent point of view.**



**Tony Lopez  
Martin Machuca  
Alma Macias  
Maria Macias  
Charles Madison  
Ronald Mariano**

**Anna Marks  
Jerry Martens  
Karma Martin  
Joy Martin  
Anthony Martinez  
Jose Martinez**

**James Mason  
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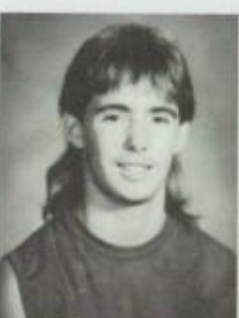
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Melissa McCarty  
Patrick McCormick**

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# Revenge of the Freshmen

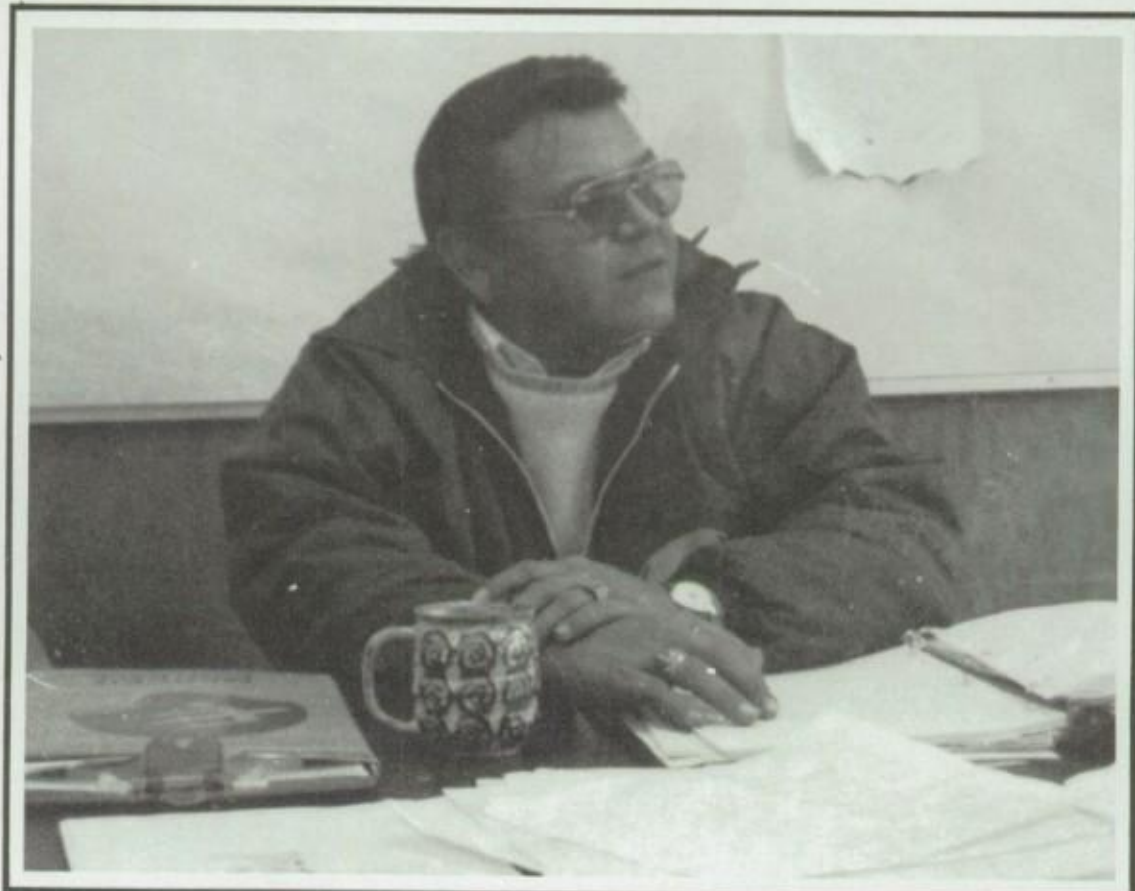
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Maria Mena  
Wendie Menetrey  
Steven Mendoza  
Lee Meyer  
Susan Milani



Christopher Miller  
Christopher Mitchell



Tara Moon  
Gina Moore



Tina Moore  
Raul Moreno



Tasha Morgado  
Tyrone Morgan  
Mary Morris  
Vincent Munn  
Chris Murphy  
Lisa Nachtigal  
Michael Nagaoka







## People Didn't Come Back by Stephen D. Kuykendall

The first thing you noticed when you sat down in this class room were the different drawings that hung on the wall in front. There were cartoon drawings of Garfield, Hitler, Mr. Hammer the teacher, and a few three dimensional pictures and some rock posters.

During the early morning the class was pretty crowded, but as the day drug on more desks became available as people didn't come back to class or got kicked out and sent home for talking or any number of classroom violations.

By the end of the day, the class had narrowed down from 21 people first period, to 9 people 6th period. As the bell for 6th period to end rang, people quickly woke-up grabbed their materials and left. As they walked out the door they started to dread the next day of "On Campus Suspension."

Ever watchful. Mr. Hammer, in charge of OC, keeps an eye on students.

Stacy Newman  
Richard Niehaus  
Lawrence Nirmala  
Jennifer Nordman  
Allison Nunes

David Ochoa  
Jamie Ochoa  
Jesus Ochoa  
Rafael Ochoa  
Thomas Oldham





## The Athletic Life of Heather Richards

by Michelle Shankle

Students who know Heather Richards, know her as a 98 pound, 5'2" "super jockette."

Irregardless of her height and weight, she could still jump high enough to spike a volleyball and play basketball. She got MVP in basketball at Mitchell Senior Elementary School, for 1985. She was aided by her brother's involvement which helped her out of girly sports and into the rough sports.

Heather had played soccer for four years, basketball for three years, volleyball for two years, and softball for one year. In those years, she received numerous certificates, medals, and trophies (outstanding offensive and defensive player for basketball, MVP for softball, and first place for soccer.)

She commented, "Soccer and basketball are my two favorite sports." A plaque was given to her by her all-around coach, Mr. Silveria, for "Outstanding Female Athlete for Mitchell Senior Elementary School."

Heather replied, "If it wasn't for Mr. Silveria's help, support, and confidence in me, I would not be where I am now." In other words, she had a lot of experience behind her.

When she was on the junior varsity volleyball team her coach Mrs. Seifert stated, "If Heather can serve-receive better, she will be a great volleyball player."

Mary Oleary  
Alma Orozco  
Dennie Ortega  
Armando Ortega



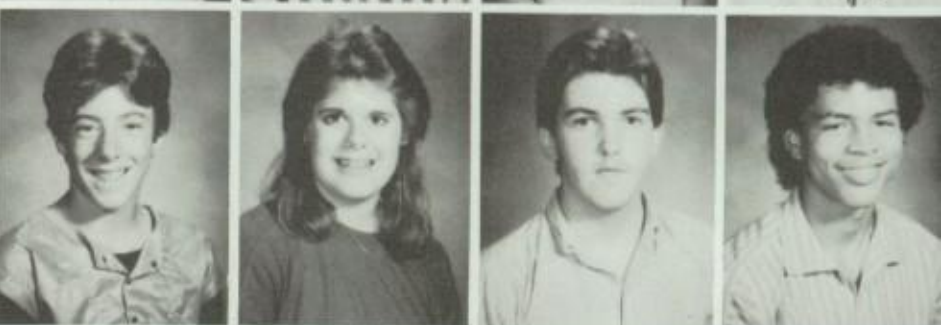
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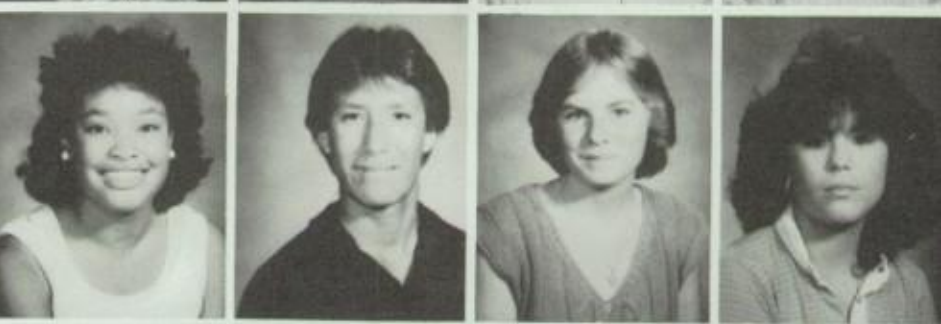
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Neil Parker



Randy Parker  
Tracy Parker  
Thomas Parks  
Mark Parrish



Roberta Pate  
Cody Peaden  
Tracy Penrod  
Lisa Perales



Christia Perez  
Daniel Perkins  
Nathan Perkins  
Michelle Pettes



Corey Phillips  
Graciela Pimentel  
Gina Piper  
Debbie Pitchford







Brian Porter  
Sibil Porter  
Timothy Powers  
Wendi Price  
Robert Prince  
Robert Procko  
Robert Prothro

Yvette Quezada  
Jeremy Rahn  
Federico Ramirez  
Mary Ramirez  
Ofelia Ramirez  
Frankie Ramos  
Lisa Randall

Bobby Rankin  
Robert Rase  
Jason Reid  
Oscar Reyes  
Zenaida Reynoso  
Carmen Ribeiro  
Heather Richards



**Superjockeyette.**  
Heather Richards  
shows the tools of  
her favorite sports.

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Jennifer Richards  
Mark Richter  
Craig Rinaldi  
Dawn Riis-Christenson  
Christine Ritter  
Colleen Ritter  
Dena Rivas



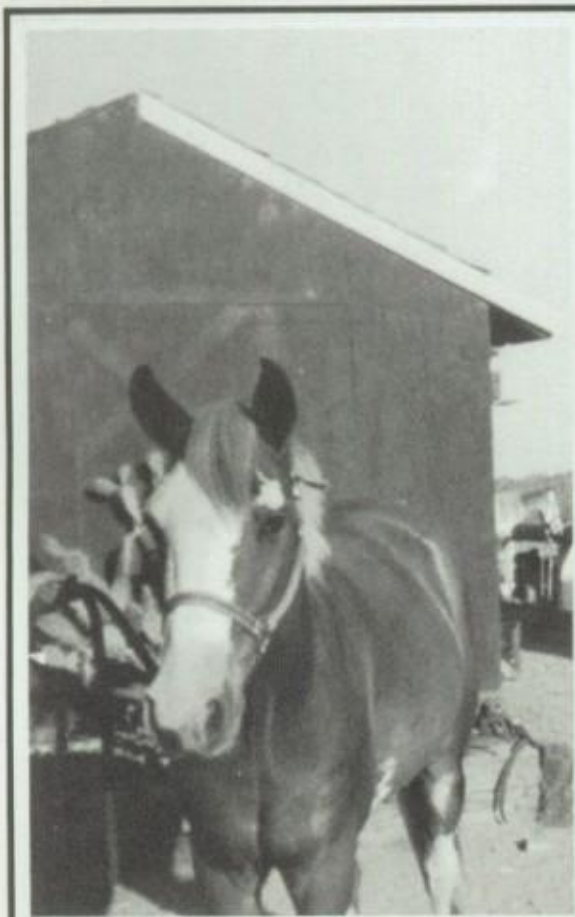
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Kristi Robinson  
Lloyd Robinson  
Tamara Robinson  
Maricela Robles



Michael Rodgers  
Shelly Rodgers  
Susan Rodgers  
Victoria Rodriguez  
Mark Rodgers  
Sigrid Rohrke  
Justin Rolfe



Forever friends.  
Tanya Dyer and her  
horse Bob-b have a  
friendship that will  
outlast time.







Mathew Romero  
Timothy Ronveaux  
Marlene Rosalie  
Jason Ross



Bobby Ruiz  
Philip Ruz  
Kelly Sadler  
Raj Samra



Mary Sampaio  
John Sandhu  
Mark Sanchez  
Scott Sanders



Pamela Sacrica  
Jackie Sarmento  
Michael Schanze  
Timothy Schiavo



Stephanie Schmidt  
Raquel Serrato  
Matthew Shadle  
Tamara Shamblin



Jason Shetler  
April Silva  
Mary Silva  
Chris Silveira

## Show of Friends by Robert Cook

Have you ever had a friend that never disagrees, talks too much, or one that does everything you ask them? Never heard of two such friends. Tanya Dyer and her friend Bob-b were the exception to the rule.

Bob-b was not just any person, he was a horse. Four times a week after school, Tanya rode Bob-b at the corral where he lived.

Being with Bob-b was what Tanya liked best, and the worst thing about riding was having to clean up the stall once in a while when the groom didn't do it.

During the summer, Tanya and Bob-b got to spend time together getting ready for the Los Banos Fair. Tanya spent many hours brushing Bob-b's coat and cleaning him up for the fair. Then Tanya and Bob-b got to show each other off for the judges. At the end of the show Tanya and Bob-b received several ribbons for their show of great friendship. After all, how many people get to go to the fair and show their friends off in a competition?



Haydee Simmons  
Arley Simpson  
Rebecca Smith  
Robert Smith  
Ronald Smith



Shawn Smith  
Stephanie Smith  
Raymond Smyth  
Harlan Sorenson  
Norma Soto



George Souza  
Jonathon Spence  
Rachel Staats  
Annette Stanford  
Bethy Stanley



Betty Stapelton  
Sonya Staten  
James Stickler  
Kimberly Stinson  
Virginia Storey



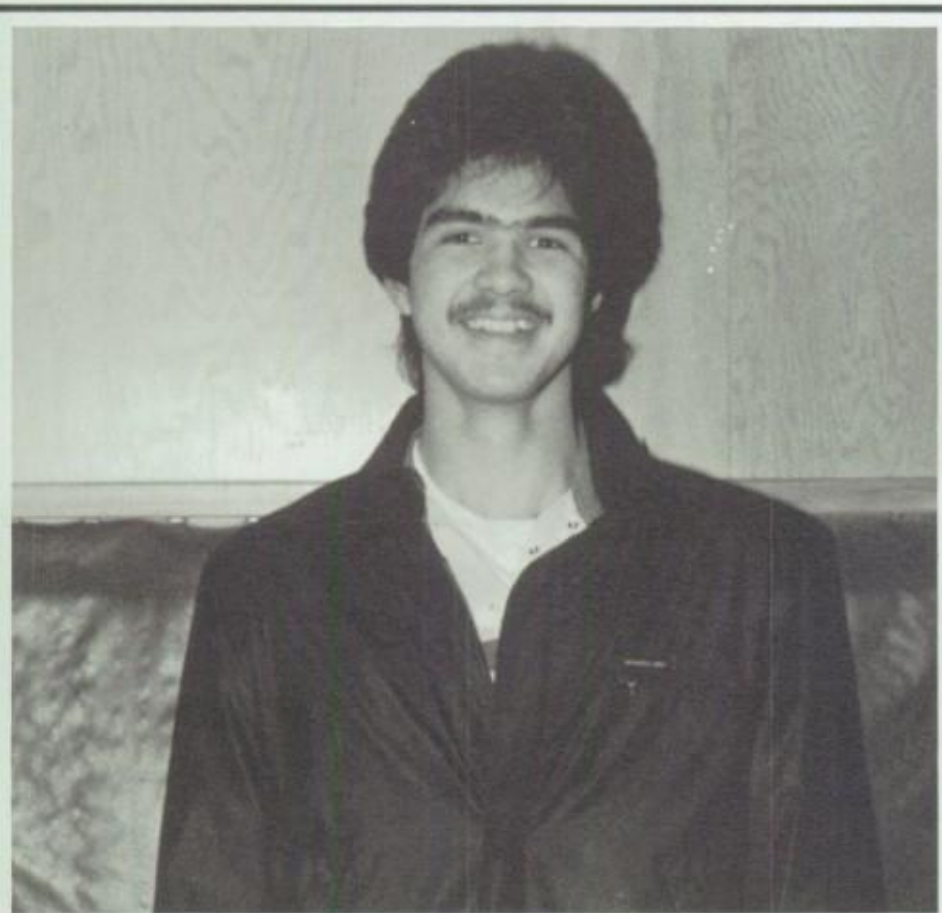
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Dennis Sullivan  
Virginia Swader  
Michael Swanson  
Sherry Sylvester



Sherry Szelestey  
Juan Tabarez  
Amy Tanner  
Kristina Teixeira  
Susan Teixeira







Giant. Bobby Arnes, the only 6'5" Freshman at AHS.



Crystal Tennis  
Pao Thao  
Jennie Thatcher  
Amy Thompson

Christine Thompson  
Jeannie Thompson  
Maysee Thor  
Tiffany Thulien

Scott Thurman  
Bruce Tiffie  
Annette Torres  
Anthony Torres

## Bobby: The Freshman Giant

by Tony Jenkins

Who was the only 6'5" Freshman at Atwater High School?

Who was the tailback and running-back on the Freshmen Football team? The answer to all of these questions was Freshman Vice-President Bobby Arnes.

Walking around campus you are sure to notice the tall, dark-haired Bobby Arnes. Even though he was 6'5", it didn't seem to bother him. He seemed to be very satisfied with himself. Bobby didn't seem to worry about his height. He stated, "I'm just a Freshman that resembles a Senior." To some people 6'5" may seem too tall for a Freshman, but for Bobby it seemed to be just right.

Bobby was very active in extra-curricular activities. He liked football and basketball a lot. He enjoyed sports very much.

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# Revenge of the Freshmen

Lillian Toro  
Nelia Toste  
David Trexler  
Jason Turzai  
Trina Untalan  
Lisa Valdez  
Maria Valdez



Leticia Valenzuela  
Raquel Valenzuela  
Sao Vang  
Vue Vang  
Pahoua Vangkhue  
Micheal Vaninwegan  
Shelia Vann



**Freddie. Freddie  
Falcon is a very de-  
voted friend of chil-  
dren.**

Stephani Velasquez  
Angelica Velasco  
Napoleon Velasco  
Jesus Vera  
Gustavo Verver  
Tony Vierra  
Rafael Villafan



Tonya Villanueva  
Manuel Villegas  
Clifton Vincent  
Kevin Waddell  
Devon Watkins  
Shawn Watkins  
Katrina Watkins







Dawn Washington  
Tracy Weisberg  
David Weskamp  
Cynthia Westlake

Karin Wetzel  
Kristina Whatley  
Glin Whitehead  
Eric Williams

Stacy Williams  
Tasha Williams  
Tamona Williamson  
Chris Wilson

Jason Wilson  
Monica Wilson  
Daniel Winnie  
Jeremy Wohler

Joy Wren  
David Wright  
Deron Wright  
Paul Wrighton

Stefani Wurts  
Khene Xayavong  
Doua Yang  
Kou Yang

Xor Yang  
Kathy Yi  
Thomas Young  
Bertha Zambrano

## Heroes Are Still Alive by Terri Brown

Freddie Falcon was born in Falcon Heights, Minnesota. During his adolescent years, he had heard of a great little town called Atwater, and the extraordinary students and outstanding athletes attending the local high school. Freddie dreamed of seeing this fine place for himself. Finally, he decided to fly to California and possibly find a way he could be part of such a special school.

Upon arrival in Atwater, Freddie picked up a newspaper and read that the high school had adopted a mascot, the Jet.

"No!" Freddie cried. It was too traumatic to bare! Good ole Fred marched over to the high school with his feathers held high. But, when Freddie's claw touched the Atwater High campus, a strange awe came over the students. It was as if some god had appeared. They got to their knees in praise. There were cries of, "That's him! I know it. His appearance has brought forth a miracle," was heard all around. People wanted autographs. They were pulling on him. Everyone wanted a Freddie Falcon Feather to cherish and remember him by.

Needless to say, Freddie had found himself a job. No longer was the Jet a qualified representation of Atwater High School. The students clearly wanted Freddie as their new school mascot.

Freddie remembers that day fondly. He's grateful that he is part of such a fine place of education.



## Revenge of the Freshmen

Tina Zambrano  
Toni Zambrano



### How Did it Make You Feel?

by Tony Jenkins

Being a Freshman can really make a person feel different. Many of this year's Freshmen seemed to really think so. Most were afraid to come to school on what many thought of as "D-DAY." This was really round-up. When asked the question, "How did it make you feel being a Freshman" numerous replies were given. Here are just a few.

NAME: Casey Cockrell

REPLY: It was the beginning of new opportunities and adventures.

NAME: Kathy Baldrige

REPLY: It was not that bad. You just took what they dished out and take out the frustrations on next year's Freshmen.

NAME: Jennifer Richards

REPLY: It was not that bad, except the rallies really did stink.

NAME: Dawn Riis-Christensen

REPLY: All of the upper classmen thought they were so much better than you.

NAME: Shaunna Klawitter

REPLY: It was not that bad. People thought you were different. I never felt different. I just always felt weird.

NAME: Wendy Menetrey

REPLY: It was not that bad.

NAME: Stefani Wurts

REPLY: It didn't really bother me. I was just glad I was finally in high school.

NAME: Russel Lawson

REPLY: Being a freshman was like being a low life getting picked on all of the time.

NAME: Oscar Calderon

REPLY: Being a Freshman wasn't really that bad, but you did get picked on more than usual. The only thing you had to worry about is a certain daily trip to the trash can.

NAME: Christy Gardener

REPLY: I never really thought about it. It was just that everyone thought that you were a nobody.

NAME: Tracy Blum

REPLY: Older but younger.



Teacher  
Teach  
me

## An Extra Five Minutes by Kelly Marie Kepschull

As of February 3, 1986, the first day of the second semester, the school day was lengthened by five minutes in order to comply with a new rule.

The district decided that the extra five minutes would be added to one period. However, it was left up to each school to determine which one. AHS decided on third. "What we have now is a schedule with six classes of equal instructional time," said Principal Dr. Larry Johnson. Third period had an "extra" five minutes which was used for school announcements.

Most students felt the new schedule would take time to get used to. The biggest complaint was that school now started at 7:55 as opposed to ending at 2:28. The administration and faculty representatives elected to start the day five minutes earlier because it caused less conflict with the original schedule. When asked what he thought about it Mr. Randy Withers answered, "My third period class is such a neat class. I love seeing their smiling faces for five more minutes each day!"

The new schedule required students to be in class by 7:55. All classes were still 53 minutes long, with the exception of third, which became 58 minutes.



Does time make a difference? Will these students score higher on their tests because of the longer school day?

Robert Abraham  
Eileen Ambrosini  
Greg Ambrosini  
Claudia Anderson

Richard Anderson  
Mark Agnlin  
Sue Ashworth  
Greg Bell

Gunnar Berquist  
Richard Blank  
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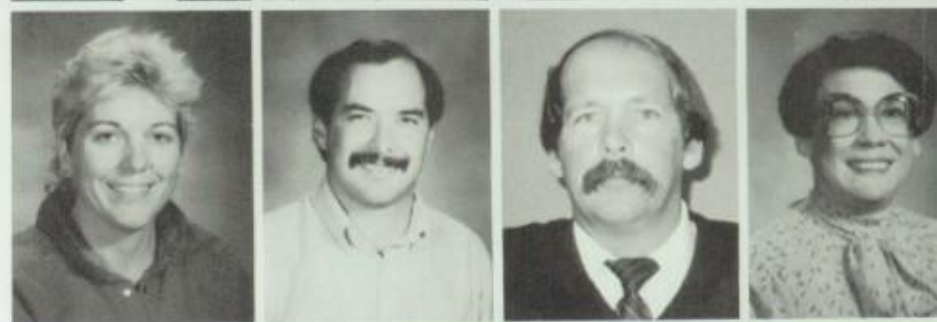
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Bill Brown



Judge Brown  
Bill Brummel  
Mike Burrows  
Dale Candelaria



Annette Chiara  
Marc Coleman  
Doug Creighton  
Assistant Principal  
Judy Cuchna



Sam Darby  
Counselor  
Donald Davis  
Linda Douglas  
Jeff Du Pertuis



Donna Engelstad  
Brenda Esau  
Martha Fagundes  
Carter Fite





# Classroom Teachers Prove More Effective



## Inexperienced Substitute Teachers at Atwater High Opinion by Michelle Shankle

Many substitute teachers at Atwater High seemed to know nothing about the subject they were substituting for. This inexperience was a problem both for the students and the substitute teacher.

Inexperience was also a problem for the regular teacher, because when the regular teacher came back he or she had to inform the students of how the homework was supposed to have been done.

For example, I was in my Geometry MM class and there was a substitute teacher. When he gave us our homework assignment everyone was confused, because we did not understand the assignment. He looked at us with more of a confused look on his face than we had on ours. Then he proceeded to tell us that he knew nothing about Geometry and for us to save our questions and complaints for our regular teacher.

How was the Merced Union High School District supposed to find qualified substitutes, when there were still regular teachers who were working outside of their credentialed fields? Teachers were needed, especially in the fields of math and science. Some teachers ended up teaching subjects they were not originally credentialed for. So, if covering the day to day class assignments was a difficult task, how was the school supposed to find substitutes qualified in specific teaching fields? That question was never answered.

Words of Wisdom. Jason Lara and Donna Fisher look on as Mr. Northern explains some functions of the computer to them.



# A New Look For the Year

**Where's the Hair?**  
by Missy Hoban and  
Michelle Shankle

Two major bets between faculty and students occurred this year. One was between Mr. Brummel and Sam Hunt. The other was between Mr. Du Pertuis and his band members.

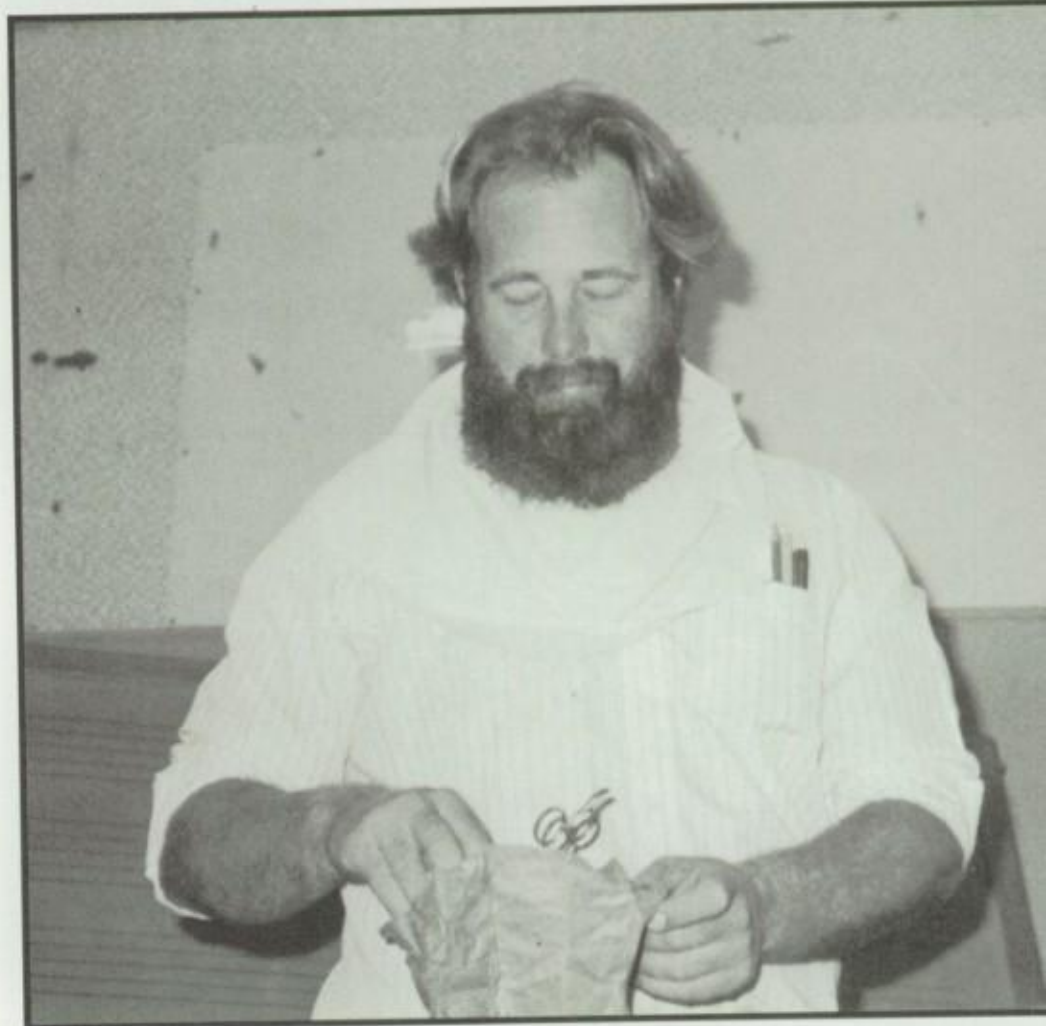
The winner of Mr. Brummel's bet could only be determined by the score of the 49er-Ram game. The stakes were, if the 49ers lost Mr. Brummel would get a flat top, and if the Rams lost Sam Hunt would get a mohawk. To Mr. Brummel's dismay, the 49ers lost leaving him with a new haircut.

The bet between Mr. Du Pertuis and his band members happened in November. The bet was that if the band members did well in the contest he would shave his beard off. To his surprise, they got first place. The band, even in their moment of glory, did not forget their bet with Mr. Du Pertuis. They insisted that his beard come off, leaving him with only tiny hairs on his chiny-chin chin.

Both Mr. Brummel and Mr. Du Pertuis lost their bets with their students. They also got new looks for the rest of the year, or at least until Mr. Brummel's hair and Mr. Du Pertuis' beard grew out.

Top — The new look. Mr. Brummel with his flat top, the result of the 49ers losing. Right — Hesitating a moment. Mr. Du Pertuis pauses for a second before he prepares to pay the price of the bet he made with the band members.

Bottom photo by Shaunna Klawitter





Teacher  
Teach  
me



Maxine Franklin  
Karen Franks  
Molly Furtado  
Rick Garcia



Jacolyn Girolamo  
Al Gorton  
Warren Grabow  
Nora Gregory



Ella Grisby  
Bill Hall  
Sandy Halstead  
Greg Hazard



James Higgins  
Dave Honey  
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Allan Hunt  
Jim Jantzen



Larry Johnson  
Principal  
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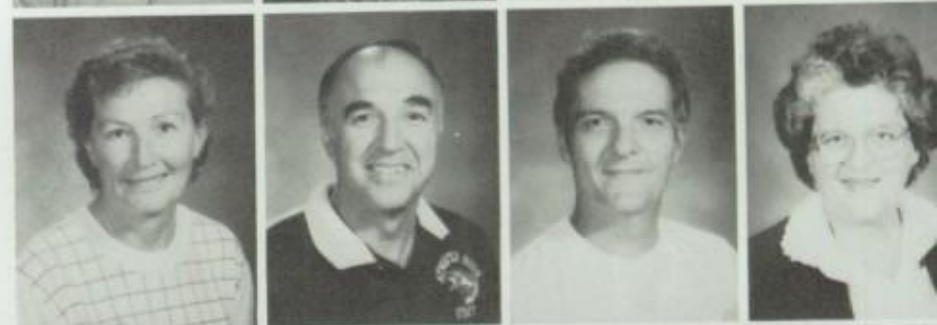


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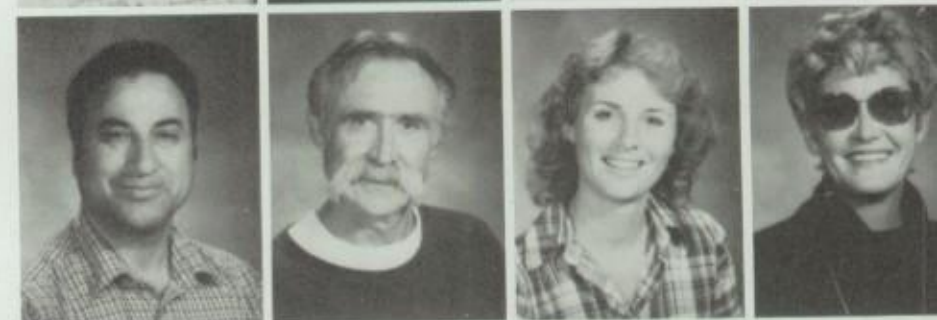
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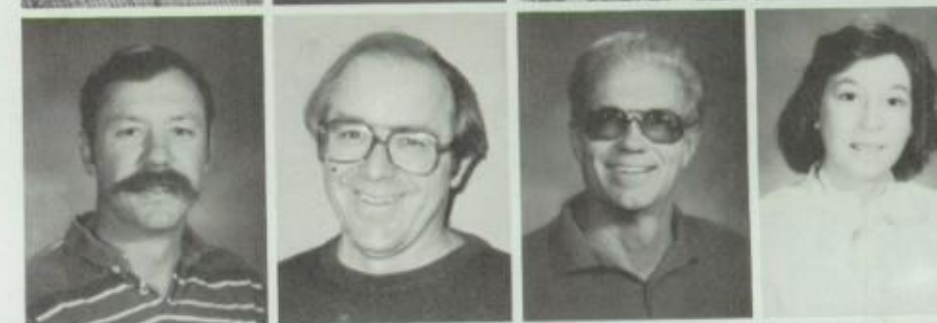
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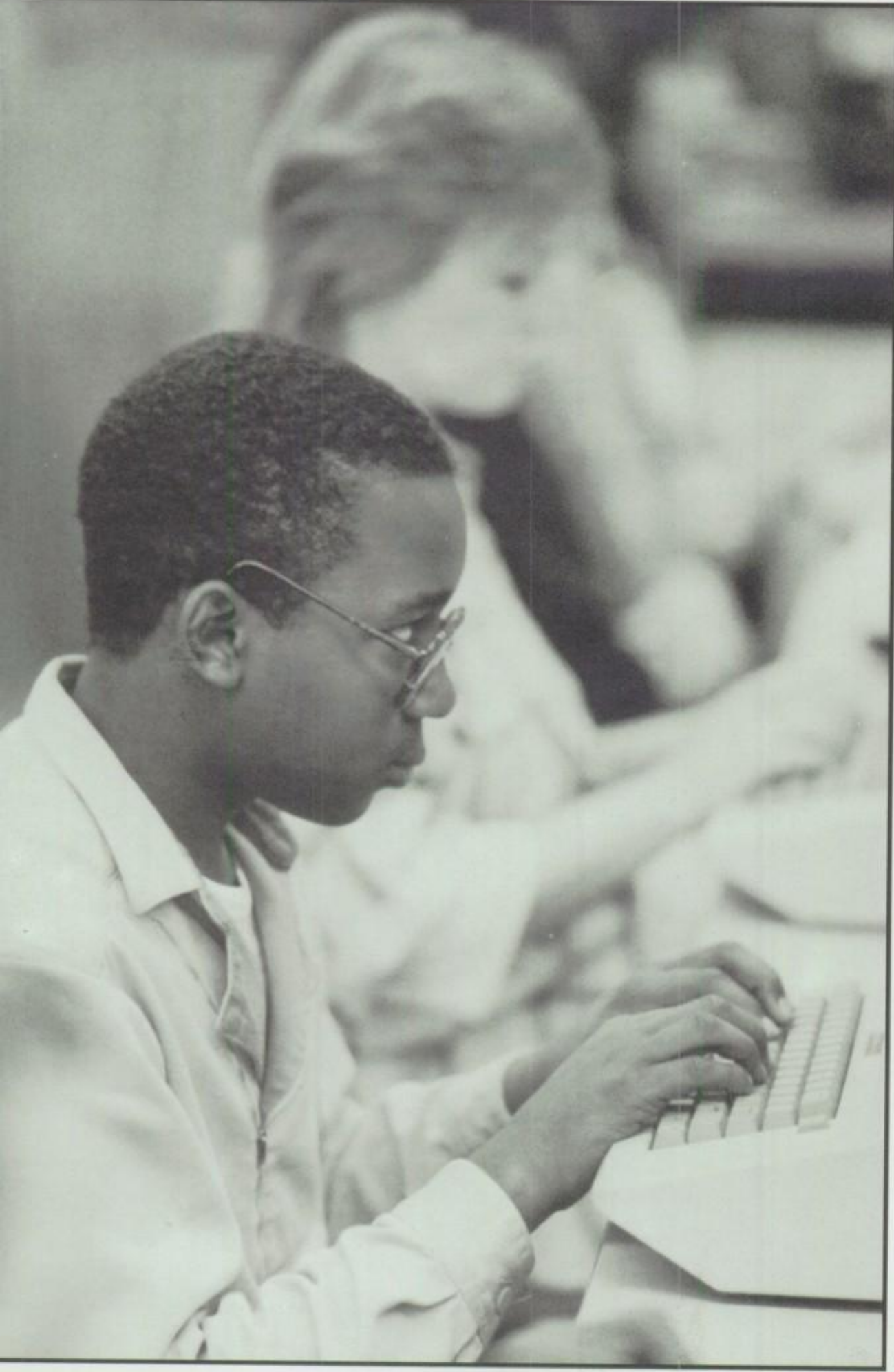


Franics Oneto  
Rae Owens  
Angelina Parga  
Mike Parisot





# The Latest Technology



## Computers Invade AHS by Sean Collins

In this world of high technology it was not surprising that computers invaded high schools.

Graduation requirements for the new freshmen demanded that they take a computer literacy class. This new policy was utilized in only a few districts in the state.

"The knowledge that's required to pass the computer literacy class is very general," said computer instructor Mr. Shimp. Some of the knowledge required included: "Who uses computers, how computers are used, problems and benefits of computers," and the "ethics" of computer use.

"The class teaches that computers have tangible effects on people and on our society, and that computers are not toys but tools," Shimp said.

"The state offers grants to schools if they can demonstrate a need and a plan for using the money," remarked Shimp. "I wrote two proposals for AHS, both of which were approved. One was for \$12,000 to purchase computers for the math lab. The other was for \$35,000 over a 3 year period to train teachers in the use of computers."

The plans' supporters included governor Duekmaijon and District Superintendent Girolamo. The plan was also strongly supported by many district computer teachers.

In response to opinions that the class was just a waste of tax-payers' money, Shimp responded, "The use of computers in the business world have taught people that they have to keep up with technological changes and constantly educate themselves to keep up with their jobs." Shimp also felt that, "Computers affect everybody's lives and that almost everyone will be using computers in the next few years."

Engrossed in his assignment, Robert Page trains for the future on the latest available computer equipment at Atwater High School.



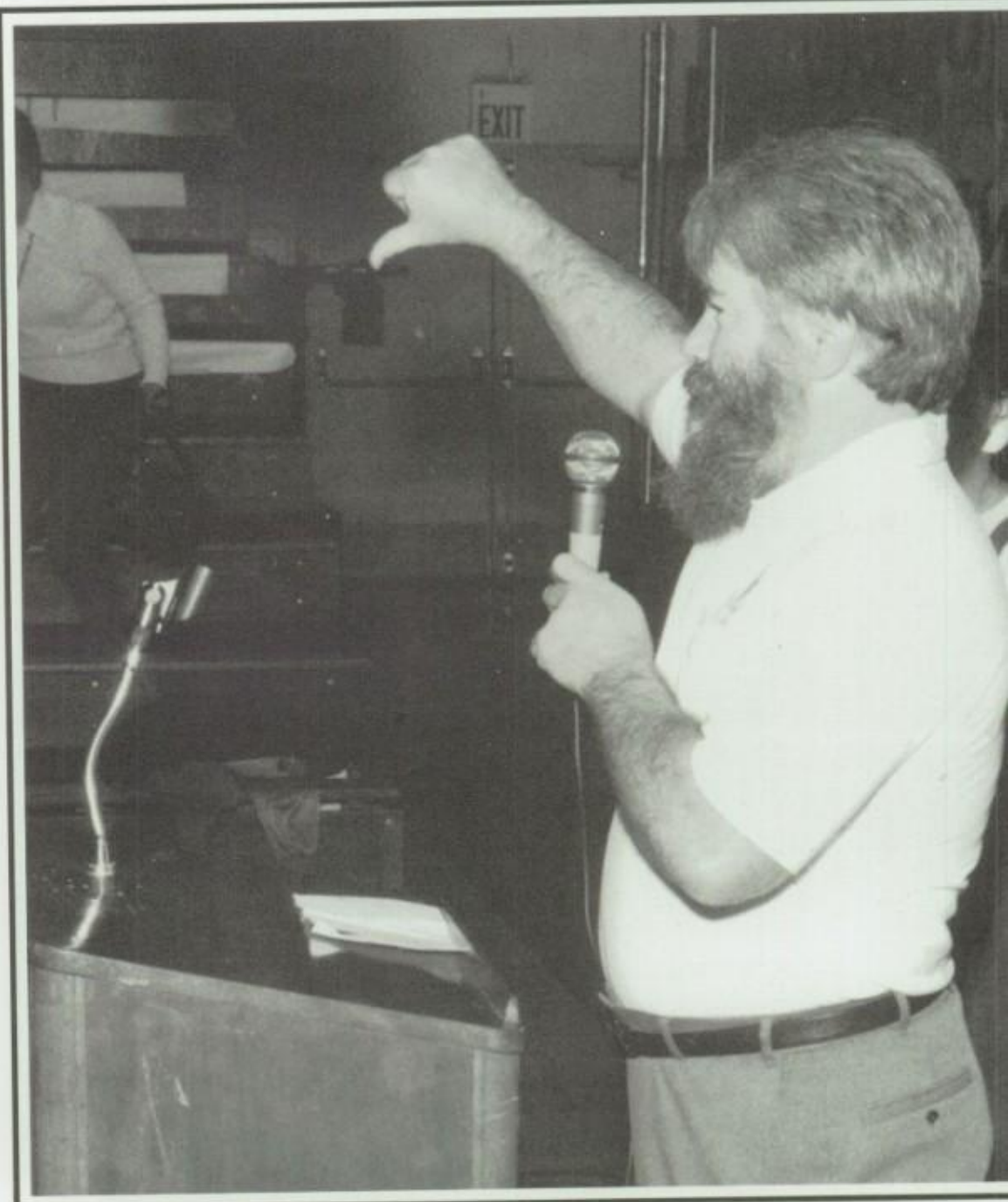
## The Faculty Has Spirit Too! by Terri Brown

"Boo! Hiss!" Those were typical words that came from Vice-Principal Mr. Worden when asked to judge spirit contests. He was only joking of course!

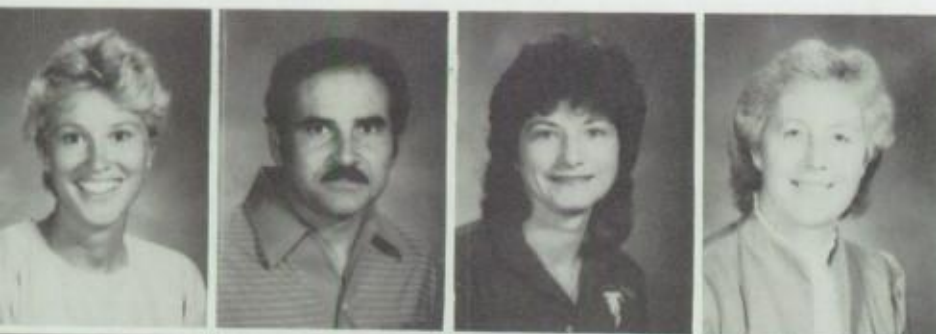
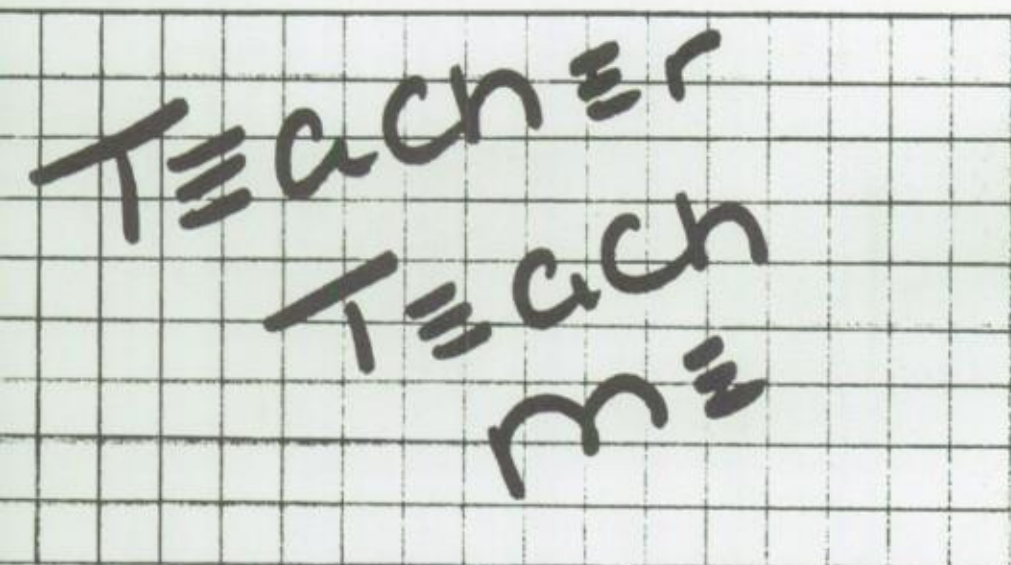
Teachers and administrators all helped out in judging contests and dressing up on special days. They judged rally activities and class yell contests. On dress up days, there were many unrecognizable teachers around.

When the faculty dressed up, it encouraged more students to participate. The teachers also enjoyed themselves!!!

Top — Sitting pretty. Mrs. Pelowski, Mrs. McMillin, and Miss Ashworth. On Twin's Day, these ladies decided to be triplets. Bottom — Awful!!! Mr. Worden judging a class yell contest.







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## Dressing up in Faculty Fun by Michelle Shankle and Missy Hoban

When the Halloween activities day rolled around, many of Atwater High's teachers rolled right on with it, dressing up in costumes to keep with the Falcon spirit.

The Atwater High teachers also had a contest to see who had the best Halloween costume. They were going to give away two prizes (two thirty dollar dinners) one at first lunch and one at second lunch. Instead they gave the dinners to the two punk rockers, Mrs. Logan and Mrs. Thompson.

Many of the faculty members contributed to the fun that went on during the year. Their encouragement helped boost the spirit of the students in and out of school.

Jerry Sullivan  
Roddy Svendsen  
Jackie Thompson  
Janet Unruh



Don Waterman  
Counselor  
Jean Weatherby  
Erma Wentz  
Larry Wentz



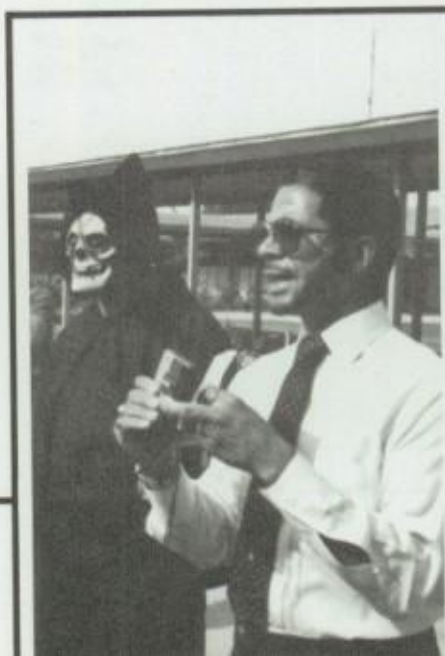
Warren Westerburg  
Betty Winningham  
Randy Withers  
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Bill Worden  
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Below — What has happened? Dave Honey talks to Larry Johnson in his new look. Below right — Punk teachers. Carlene Logan and Jaclyn Thompson go all out for AHS Halloween activities.







# Behind the Wheel

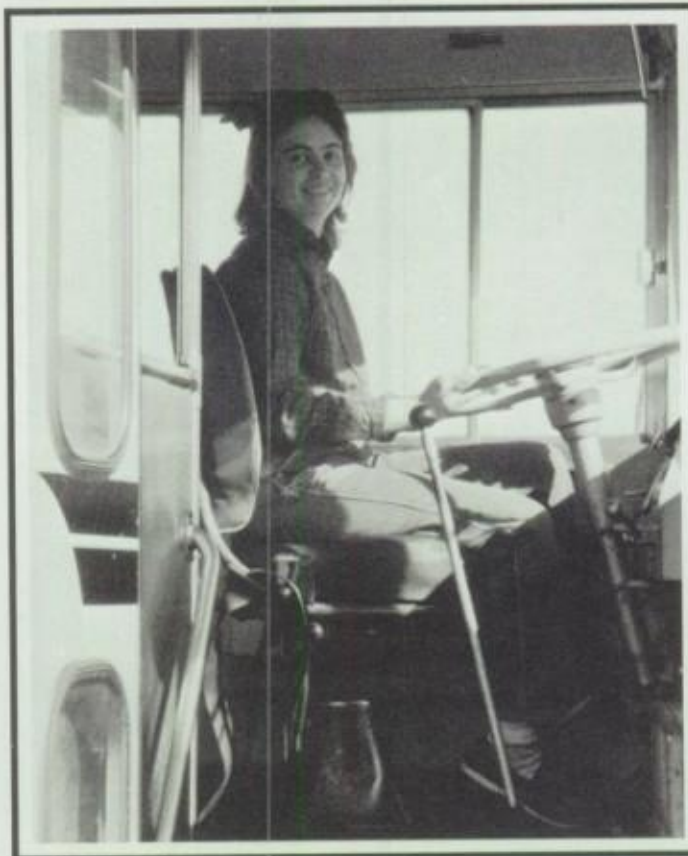
**Early To Rise, Late To Bed**  
by Missy Hoban and Kelly Marie Kepschull

The bus driver's job was to wake up early and stay out late just to provide a form of transportation for the students who attended Atwater High.

Many people overlooked the work bus drivers put in for the students. Their normal route took place five days a week in the mornings and afternoons. Some even put in extra hours after that just so the many teams from Atwater could get to their games.

The work was long, monotonous, and often trying. The drivers were responsible for keeping the students in order on their buses. They also had to clean their vehicles at the end of each and every day.

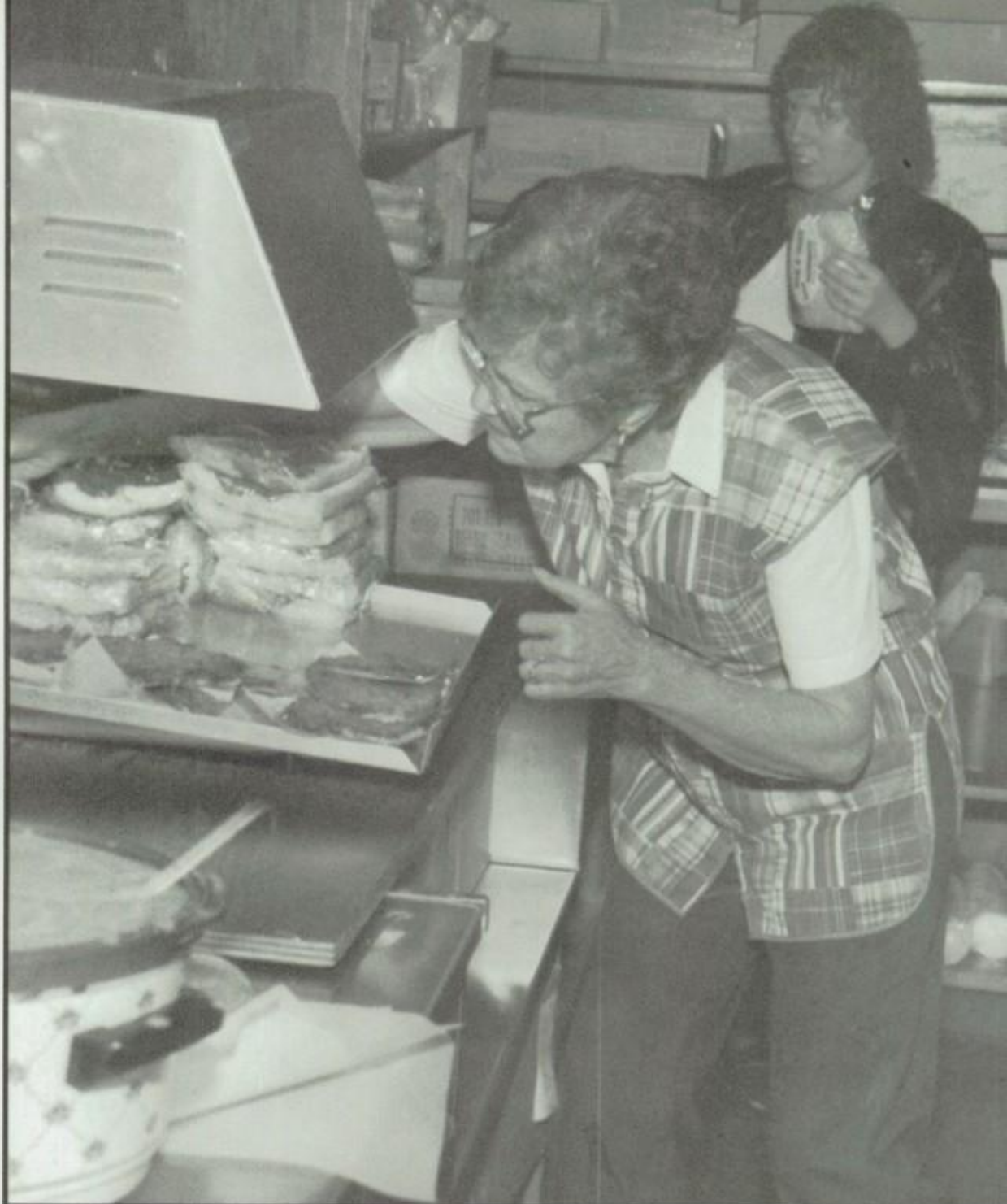
"He's a conscientious driver," said Tony Jenkins when asked about his bus driver Mike Smith. "He's also sociable and nice."



Top — Happy Halloween! Faculty show their school spirit. Avis Monson, Sharon Petzold, Rhonda Wrighton, Baker Ring, Ann Stein, Brenda Esau, Debra Murray, Carlene Logan, Jaclyn Thompson, Linda Douglas, Ann Bettis, Sandra Wood, Donna Engelstad, and Judy Cuchna show their Halloween costumes. Middle — Bus drivers Mario Granado, Jean Okuye, Eldon George, Mike Smith, and Bob Pelowski. Far left — Shifting gears. Shirley Gonzalez sits in her bus. Left — Waiting for the students. Driver Jeanette Yorba has safety on her mind.



Right — Checking the heating. Mrs. Mancebo checks sandwiches during lunch to make sure that everything will be served hot. Below — Just making sure. Mrs. Pulido making sure that she gets the right amount of money.



Above — Margaret Edwards, Josie Pulido, Lois Downey, Bobby Harris, Deanna Milligan, Dorothy Avelar, and Jean Mancebo. Left — Serving it up. Mrs. Avelar preparing a hot lunch tray.





Left — Repairing the abused. George Mancebo and Julio Flores repair some of the many broken lockers around campus.



Left — Fernando Lopez, Nick Perez, Jeffery Hastings, and Felix Ornalas. Back Row — Don Lencioni, Julio Flores, Gene Flores, and Ernesto Madrid.

## From Janitors to Vandals! John Mason

Never forget that the most important factor of the janitors' job was, in a sense, to be your mommy. He picked up your trash and cleaned your lunch tables. He swept your classroom floors and washed your desks. The school paid him to do almost anything that they couldn't make you do. (This didn't mean that the teacher couldn't make you do your homework or give you a C-legged A). There were eleven custodians at this school. Of all these, there was a head custodian. He had many

jobs such as supervising directly all day shift custodians, evaluating custodial personnel and repairing equipment, furniture, and vandalized material.

The head custodian Don Lencioni said, "You just get a handful of students here and there that make a big mess."

Of all his jobs the worse chore was to pick up after vandalizers. From broken windows to burnt lockers and from wall decorations to destruction of property the janitors saw it all.

Some custodians agreed, "Vandalism gets worse every year at

Atwater."

It usually cost from twenty-five to thirty dollars to repair minor damage from vandalism. From September to December alone it cost the school about 1,000 dollars in labor and material.

At the end of last year a handful of students went and completely covered the school with blue and white paint. This was probably the worst chapter in the book of vandalism at Atwater.

From janitors to vandalizers, the destruction of school property didn't end. However, there was always a trusty janitor around. Custodial Staff 223



## Hanging it Up by Ed Gossling

After 18 years of janitorial work Mr. George Mancebo decided to hang it up. He said, "I'm getting to the age where I should retire and go fishing."

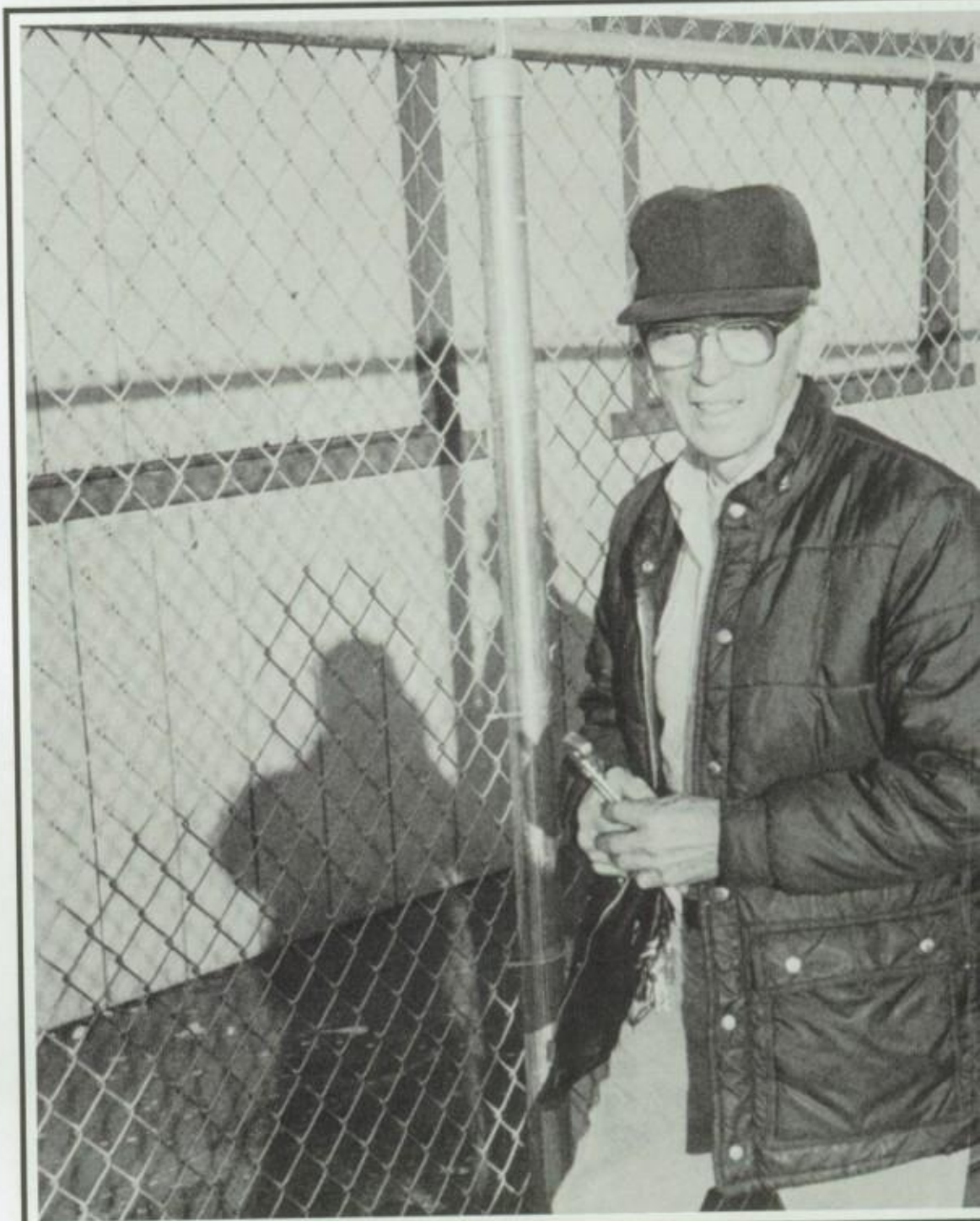
He said his feelings about the staff and students of Atwater High were, "I'm going to miss them all very much but specially the students more than anything. Some real nice kids have come through here. I go out of my way for the kids, after all they are our future."

He said his biggest thrill was going to the gas station or the Merced Mall and seeing someone who had graduated from Atwater and they still remembered him.

His plans for retirement were to stay in Atwater. He said, "I was born and raised in Atwater, and I'm going to stay right here."

Keeping the campus clean. Mr. Mancebo's work routine includes repairing broken materials around campus.

**"I was born and raised in Atwater, and I'm going to stay right here."**





**The things I will miss the most are my duties, students, and fellow workers."**



### **Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder**

**by Keri Hines and Tony Jenkins**

Sixteen years of helping with truancy problems and giving out referrals was attendance secretary Mrs. Hinz's job. She became a secretary at North Campus in 1963, transferred to Atwater in 1970.

After her retirement she planned to travel in her motor home and go all over the United States and Canada with her husband who will have already retired. Mrs. Hinz said, "The things I will miss the most are my duties, the students, and my fellow workers."

Mrs. Unruh said, "Mrs. Hinz is a nice lady, who has given much of her time and effort to do her job in attending."

"If I could have done anything else besides being a secretary it probably would have been a counselor, because I love the kids." She stated that she became a secretary because of the previous training she had. She commented, "I have been here a long time and think it's time to say 'Good-bye'."

Attendance Secretary. Mrs. Hinz enjoys her job in the office.



**"I am proud of Atwater High and feel like it was a part of me."**

## **Long Time Worker Says, "Farewell"**

**by Tony Jenkins**

Ordering food, planning menus, and directing personal was no easy job, but Mrs. Mancebo, cafeteria manager, did it. She worked in the cafeteria for 26 years. "I started in 1960, and I think it's time to say goodbye," she said.

Mrs. Mancebo planned to do much traveling during her retirement. She also planned to visit her children and grandchildren. "Mostly," she stated, "I plan to enjoy myself."

She said that she enjoyed her stay and wouldn't have traded it for anything. Mrs. Mancebo anticipated that, "I will miss my co-workers and the students I once served. I really enjoyed myself here." She also stated, "I am proud of Atwater High and feel like it was part of me."

She planned to stay in Atwater in the future.



**A typical day on the job. Top — Almost every work day for Mrs. Mancebo includes baking bread for lunch. Above — Mrs. Mancebo shows the ropes to Mrs. Pulido and Mrs. Downey.**



**"I applied for the job through an interview"**



## **Atwater High Says Goodbye to a Friend**

**by Tony Jenkins**

**"I applied for the job through an interview," said Mrs. Grisby, "and I really have enjoyed it."**

For those of you who didn't know her, Mrs. Grisby was the campus liaison official. Everyday for the past seventeen years she came to this school to keep a watchful eye on students before and after school, between classes, and at lunchtime. Mrs. Grisby also checked in on students who had a regular attendance problem.

Mr. King, the principal at the time, inspired Mrs. Grisby to start the job. "He was looking for someone to watch the campus for him. I applied for the job, and began working here part time. I worked part time for two years."

Mrs. Grisby planned to do some traveling after she retired to visit her children. She also wanted to do some volunteer work for the community. She stated, "If I could have done anything else in the world I would have gotten my credentials, and become a teacher, because I love children. It makes me feel good to see them come to school."

Patrolling the campus. Mrs. Grisby, attendance liaison, makes sure that all goes well between periods and during lunch.



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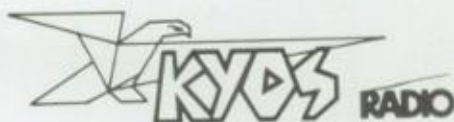
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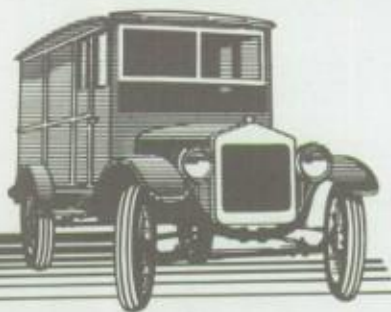
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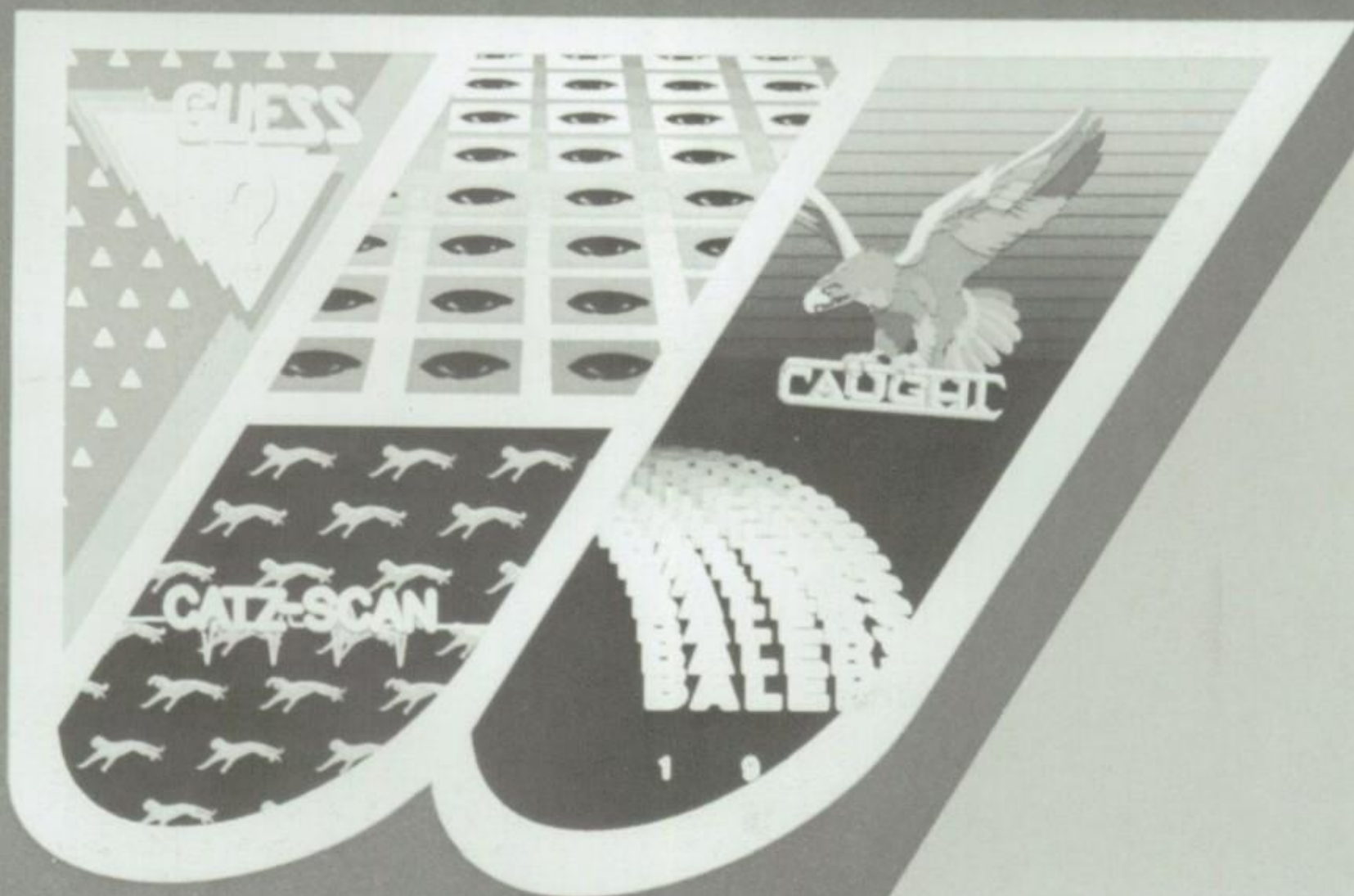
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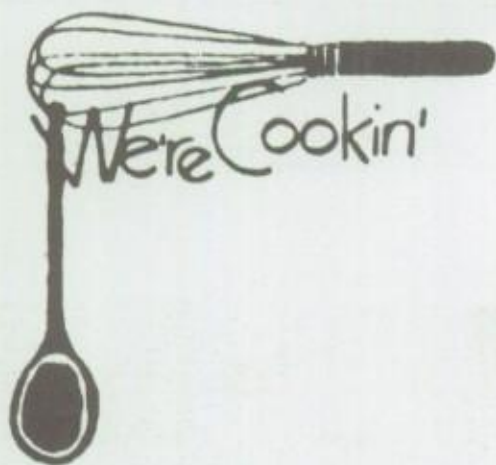
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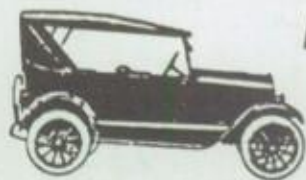
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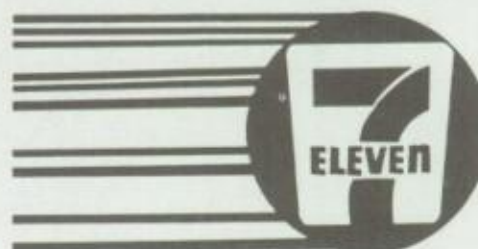
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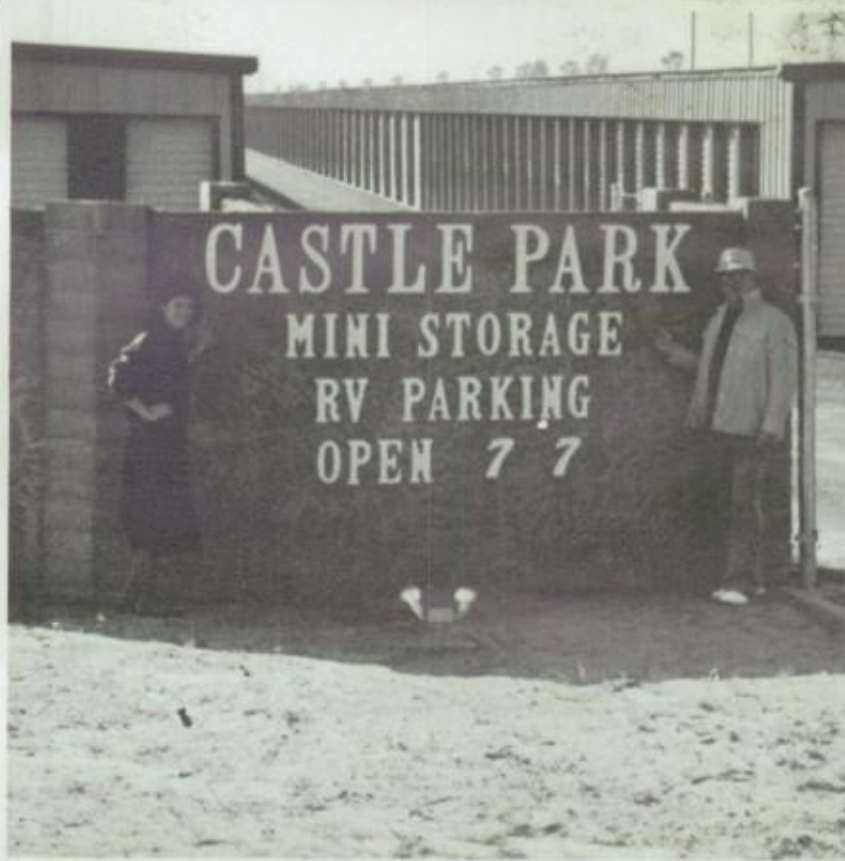
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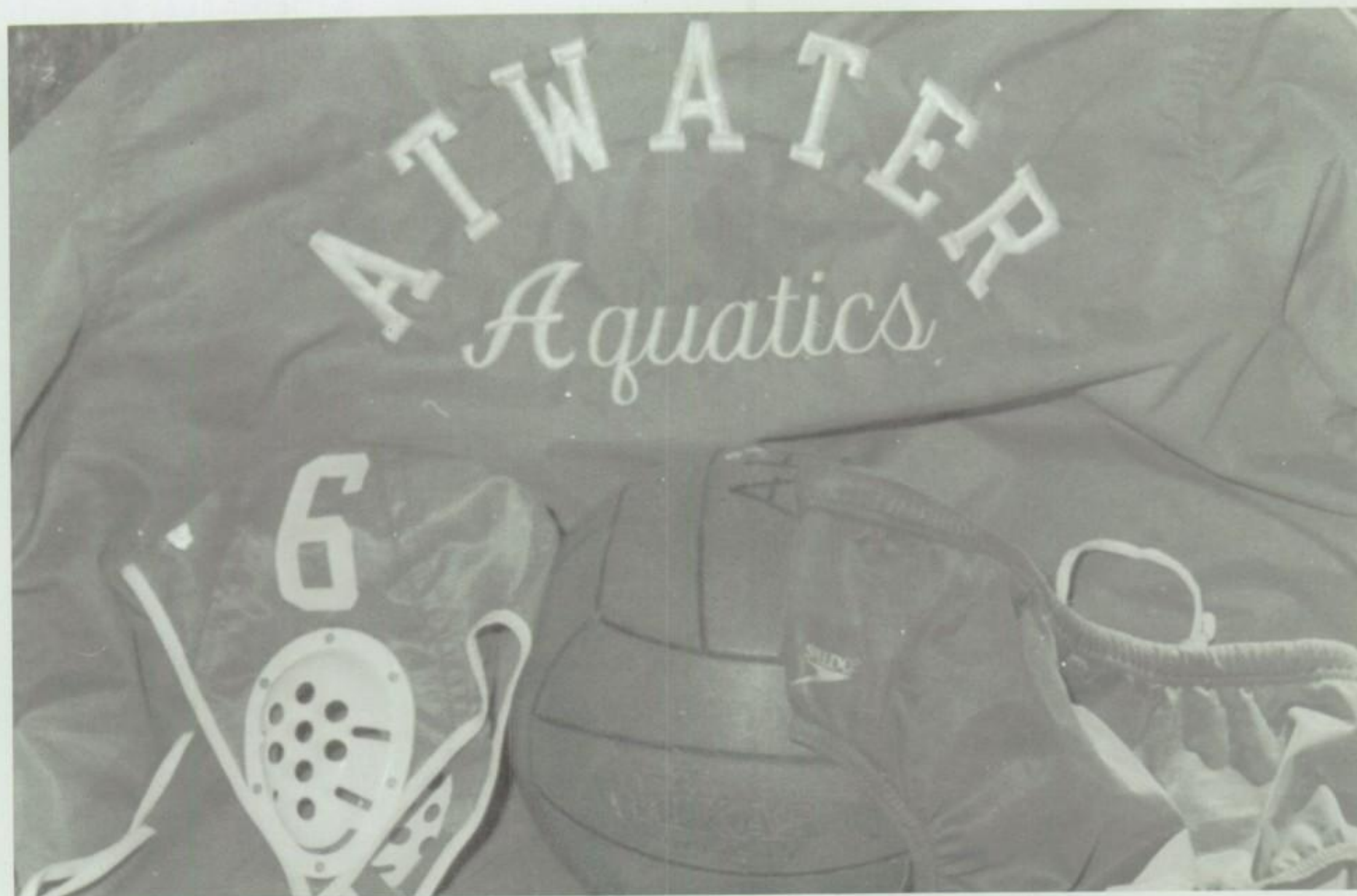
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